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Iraqis Probe 'Death Squads'

Interior Ministry investigates claims of police-backed killers

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | The Shiite-dominated Interior Ministry announced an investigation Thursday into claims of death squads in its ranks as police found a dozen more bodies, bringing the number of apparent victims of sectarian reprisal killings here to at least 30 this week.

The probe was announced after U.S. military officials indicated there was evidence to support the allegation of death squads. The 12 men found on Thursday had been bound

and shot in the head execution-style.

Sunni Arabs have been complaining for months that kidnappings and murder by Shiite-led commandos operated by the Interior Ministry are driving many Sunnis into the ranks of the insurgents. Shiites insist that they must retain control of Iraqi security forces in the next government.

Iraqi security officials said the Interior Ministry probe would focus on a single incident involving 22 Iraqi policemen who U.S.

authorities said were detained last month before they were able to kill a Sunni Arab man north of Baghdad.

Maj. Gen. Hussein Kamal, who announced the investigation, said four policemen believed to be ringleaders had been transferred to the U.S.-run Abu Ghraib prison in western Baghdad and the rest were held in Iraqi jails.

Kamal, Iraq's deputy interior minister in charge of domestic intelligence, hinted that the scope of the probe could go beyond the 22 policemen arrested last month. PAUL GARWOOD (AP)

Golden Debut for Wild, Wild Wescott



BOARD SILLY: Americans Seth Wescott and Jason R. Smith lead France's Paul-Henri Delerue and Austria's Dieter Krassnig in Wescott's gold-medal run in snowboardcross at the Winter Games on Thursday. Snowboardcross, which features a series of four-person races and is often referred to as "NASCAR on ice" for its many crashes, is making its Olympic debut in Turin. ♣ **Hot shots:** U.S. hockey goes on offensive in win over Kazakhstan | **Page 14**

ROLE REVERSAL | Student of the Game When a Wilmington, N.C., elementary school principal needed someone to advise teachers on using PlayStations, she turned to the experts — students. The school bought 23 PlayStations



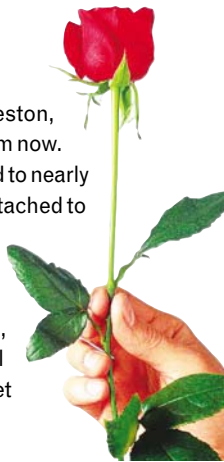
last month to use with educational games. But not all the teachers took to the systems, and some were uncomfortable using them. So students stepped in Wednesday and gave the teachers a few pointers. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | **Page 2**

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COVERING YOUR BASES

Talk About Playing the Field

If any female juniors at Cypress Bay High School in Weston, Fla., weren't aware of classmate Paul Kim, they know him now. The junior ordered 500 red roses and had them delivered to nearly all his female classmates on Valentine's Day. A card attached to the roses said, "To all the lovely ladies of 2007, here's wishing you a Happy Valentine's Day. Affectionately, Paul Kim." He said he used money he had been saving since his birthday in December to pay for the roses, which cost about \$900. "To me, Valentine's is a special day," Kim said. "I realized that not many girls would get anything and it would be an ordinary day." (AP)



PAYBACK

Car Dealers, Do Not Sell to This Woman

A Thornton, Colo., man was charged with arson after, police said, he burned down a Pontiac dealership because his mother drives one and he was mad at her, WKMG-TV reported. Joshua

Abeyta thought he could get back at his mother by setting Grand Auto Pontiac on fire — even though she'd never been there. "It's not a disgruntled customer, it's not a disgruntled former employee, just a wacky guy that was pissed at his mom and she happens to drive a Pontiac," dealership owner Mike Malin said. (EXPRESS)



NATHANIK/AP

DENTAL HYGIENE

Buffalo Bristles

Getting them to brush wasn't so hard. Getting them to floss twice a day — not so much. In an effort to teach youngsters how to properly brush their teeth, a group of children — including Jason Rainforth, who held a large toothbrush to the mouth of Mandy, a female bison — were brought to the farm at the Lone Star Ranch in Denton, Neb., on Wednesday, where a staff member of the University of Nebraska Dental School demonstrated on her bison how to properly brush. (EXPRESS)



"But the zoo ALWAYS lets us have a jar of honey before we have to go to bed!"

MESSY BREAK-UPS

It's More Fun at Dad's House, Isn't It?

An Tecumseh, Neb., man plans to pursue visitation rights with the half-dozen black bears removed from his farm last month. Duane Kuhl was ticketed on suspicion of illegally possessing wild animals. He pleaded not guilty to the six misdemeanor charges at an arraignment Wednesday. His lawyer, Christopher Ferdico, said he and his client plan to pursue the opportunity to visit with the bears. (AP)



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"If there was ever a case that was both sensitive and rife with potential conflict — it is this one." —**Sen. Charles Schumer**, urging Attorney General Alberto Gonzales to recuse himself from the Jack Abramoff investigation.



Nation

In Brief

MONETT, MO.

Firefighters Refuse to Battle Blaze at Non-Member House

Rural firefighters stood by and watched a fire destroy a garage and a vehicle because the property owner had not paid membership dues. Fire Chief Ronnie Myers defended the no-pay, no-aid policy, saying the membership-based organization could not survive if people thought they would respond for free. (AP)

NEW LONDON, CONN.

Coast Guard Cadet Charged With 6 Sexual Assaults

A senior at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy has been charged with sexually assaulting six female cadets. Webster M. Smith, 22, of Houston was separated from the rest of the student population after the first complaint was filed with administrators Dec. 4, the academy said. (AP)

YORK, PA.

Students Find Teacher's Body In Classroom After Suicide

High school students arriving for class Thursday morning found the body of a teacher who had apparently shot himself to death the day before, a coroner said. As many as 10 West York Area High School students may have seen the body, Coroner Barry Bloss said. (AP)



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:
Express won't publish Monday due to Presidents Day. We'll be back Tuesday.

Cheney: VP Can Declassify Secrets

Stance during interview hints at possible Libby defense in leak case

WASHINGTON | Vice President Dick Cheney says he has the power to declassify government secrets, raising the possibility that he authorized his former chief of staff to pass along sensitive prewar data on Iraq to reporters.

Cheney coupled his statement in a TV interview Wednesday with an endorsement of I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, his ex-aide. Libby is under indictment on charges of perjury,

obstruction and lying to the FBI about disclosing the identity of undercover CIA officer Valerie Plame.

In a recent court filing, Special Counsel Patrick Fitzgerald revealed Libby's assertions to a grand jury that superiors had authorized him to spread sensitive information from a National Intelligence Estimate. The administration used the NIE assessment on Iraq and weapons of mass



Cheney

destruction as part of its justification for going to war.

Fitzgerald did not specify which superiors Libby may have been referring to when he testified that higher-ups had authorized him to spread sensitive information.

In the interview, Cheney said an executive order gives him, and President Bush, power to declassify information.

"I have certainly advocated declassification. I have participated in declassification decisions," Cheney said. Asked for details, he said, "I don't want to get into that. There's an executive

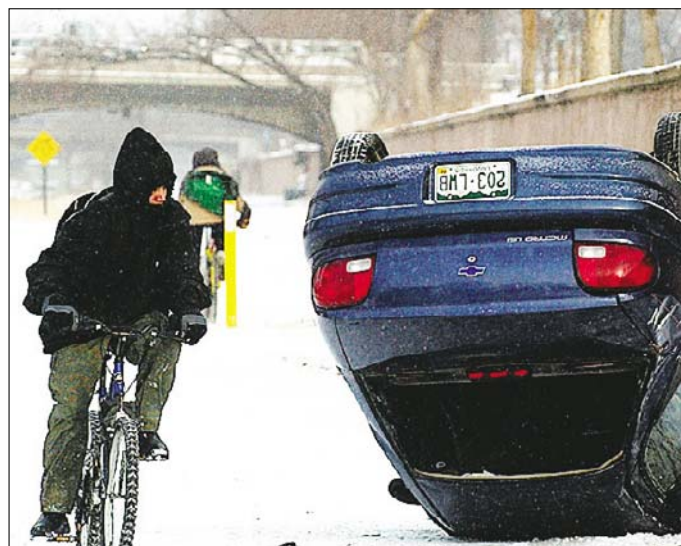
order that specifies who has classification authority, and obviously it focuses first and foremost on the president, but also includes the vice president."

Libby is not charged with leaking classified information, and his lawyers said last week that there was no truth to a published report that they had advised the court or prosecutors that Libby will raise a defense based on authorization by superiors.

A legal expert said Cheney's comments could nonetheless foreshadow a Libby defense.

PETE YOST (AP)

COLORADO | SNOWSTORM HITS MOUNTAIN STATES



SLIDING BY: Leo Hernandez rides his bicycle by a car that slid off a nearby road in Denver on Thursday. A blizzard swept across Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska Thursday, burying some areas under more than a foot of snow.

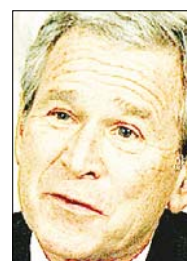
Judge Orders Release of Spy Papers

WASHINGTON | A federal judge ordered the Bush administration Thursday to release documents about its warrantless surveillance program or spell out what it is withholding, a setback to efforts to keep the program under wraps.

At the same time, the Republican

chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee said he had worked out an agreement with the White House to consider legislation and provide more information to Congress on the program. The panel's top Democrat, who has requested a full probe, objected to the deal. (AP)

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The number of high school students who received acceptance letters from the University of Georgia — only to get a follow-up letter Monday telling them they hadn't been accepted after all. "We are very, very sorry," a spokesman said.

Nation

Entwistle Pleads Innocent

Briton charged with murdering wife, baby jailed without bail

FRAMINGHAM, MASS. | Neil Entwistle pleaded not guilty Thursday to murder charges and was jailed without bail in the killings of his wife and baby daughter, who were found shot to death in bed at the couple's suburban Boston home.

The crush of media slowed traffic outside the courthouse, and a passing motorist yelled out: "Burn that baby killer!"

Entwistle, 27, kept his head bowed as officers led him into the building wearing shackles and a bulletproof vest. He was ordered held without bail pending a hearing March 15.

He is charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of his wife, Rachel, 27, and their 9-month-old daughter Lillian, killed in their home in Hopkinton on Jan. 20. Entwistle flew to his native England a day after the shootings,



Neil Entwistle, accused of murdering his wife, Rachel Entwistle, 27, and their 9-month-old daughter, leaves the courthouse after his arraignment on Thursday.

was arrested there last week, and was flown back to the United States on Wednesday.

In court documents, law officers have portrayed Entwistle as a secretive man who was sinking into debt. The documents say that in the days before the killings, he trolled

the Internet looking for sexual partners and information on ways to kill people and commit suicide.

Authorities believe Entwistle used his father-in-law's .22-caliber handgun in the shootings, and may have planned to kill himself over mounting debts. DENISE LAVOIE (AP)

Coast Guard Nabs \$66M of Cocaine

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. | The Coast Guard seized more than one ton of cocaine, worth an estimated \$66 million, from a fishing boat that had been stopped off the coast of Panama, officials said Thursday.

Four Colombian nationals aboard the boat were arrested. Officials said the four were being turned over to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents and criminal charges were likely.

The cocaine was found aboard the 40-foot fishing boat on Feb. 6 after it was stopped by a Navy frig-



Ali Aghaei guards Coast Guard crews unloading seized cocaine on Thursday.

ate in international waters.

The cocaine was found behind a bulkhead that had been freshly painted, authorities said. It was being taken Thursday to the Coast Guard station at Miami Beach.

CURT ANDERSON (AP)

Dog Missing After Westminster Show

NEW YORK | A dog that won an award this week in the Westminster Kennel Club show escaped from its cage at John F. Kennedy International Airport on Wednesday and was believed to be on the loose in the surrounding area.

The dog, a whippet, broke free at about noon.

Port Authority police were work-

ing with its owners to search the area where planes arrive and depart.

"They're looking every possible place they can to see if they can locate the dog," said Port Authority spokesperson Tiffany Townsend.

She said she didn't know where the dog's cage had been when it escaped or where its owners had been heading. (AP)

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World



FIELDS OF GOLD: A 6,500-year-old gold jewel was picked up in a Greek field by a hiker who handed it over to authorities, an archaeologist said Thursday. The pendant is a rare find in Greece, where only three such artifacts have been discovered.

In Brief



Protesters burn an effigy of the Danish prime minister in Karachi on Thursday.

KARACHI, PAKISTAN Thousands Rally Anew in Protest of Danish Cartoons

Thousands of people shouting "God is Great!" marched through a southern Pakistan city on Thursday and burned effigies of the Danish prime minister in the country's fourth day of protests over cartoons of Prophet Muhammad, police said. About 5,000 police and paramilitary forces were deployed to prevent violence, officials said. About 40,000 people took part in the demonstration, which ended peacefully, said Shah Nawaz Khan, a senior Karachi police officer. (AP)

MOSCOW Hamas Leaders Will Go to Russia for High-Level Talks

Hamas leaders will travel to Moscow for high-level talks with Russian officials next month, the Foreign Ministry said Thursday, amid Kremlin efforts to cement a central role in Mideast diplomacy and Western wariness about dealing with the militant Palestinian group that won parliamentary elections last month. Russian officials say they will press Hamas to recognize the state of Israel and to renounce violence. (AP)

PYONGYANG, NORTH KOREA Nationwide Celebrations Mark Jim King II's Birthday

North Korea marked the 64th birthday of leader Kim Jong Il on Thursday with nationwide celebrations reasserting the strength of his regime and its ability to resist the U.S. Mass synchronized dances featuring women in brightly colored traditional Korean dresses were staged in the capital's main square, state TV showed Thursday. (AP)

U.N. Report Urges Closure of Gitmo

Annan echoes panel's call for U.S. to charge prisoners or free them

UNITED NATIONS | Secretary-General Kofi Annan says the United States should close the prison at Guantanamo Bay for terror suspects as soon as possible, backing a key conclusion of a U.N.-appointed independent panel.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan rejected the call to shut the camp, saying the military treats

all detainees humanely and "these are dangerous terrorists that we're talking about."

The panel's report, released Thursday in Geneva, said the U.S. must close the detention facility "without further delay" because it is effectively a torture camp where prisoners have no access to justice.

Annan said he supported the panel's opposition to people being held "in perpetuity" without being charged and prosecuted in a court where they had the opportunity to



A Guantanamo detainee is seen being escorted by guards in January 2002.

explain themselves. This is "something that is common under every legal system," he said.

The 54-page report summarizing an investigation by five U.N. experts, accused the U.S. of practices that "amount to torture" and demanded detainees be allowed a fair trial or be freed. The panel, which had sought access to Guantanamo Bay since 2002, refused a U.S. offer to have three experts to visit the camp in November after being told they could not interview detainees.

EDITH M. LEDERER (AP)



Relatives of a victim killed during a fighting between rival gangs in Rocinha shantytown in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, grieve near the scene of the fighting on Thursday.

Rio Wary of Violence Ahead of Stones Show

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL | Fighting between rival gangs left six people dead and six injured in a shantytown just above the city's wealthiest neighborhoods, causing jitters as residents prepare for a giant free Rolling Stones concert and Rio de Janeiro's world famous carnival.

The shootout in the Rocinha shantytown Wednesday night was part of an ongoing gang war for control of the slum's lucrative drug dealing spots, which are especially coveted because of their proximity to wealthy residents below the sprawling hillside slum, police said.

About 100 military police have occupied Rocinha since early

Thursday morning, said Thiago Delgado, a spokesman for the state security secretariat.

Police had been concerned about clashes between rival drug gangs before Rio's carnival, which will be celebrated this year between Feb. 25 and 28. The city also is preparing for the Rolling Stones' concert, which is expected to bring nearly two million people to Rio's Copacabana beach on Saturday night.

Rio de Janeiro is one of the world's most violent cities with a homicide rate of nearly 50 per 100,000 people a year, but much of that crime is confined to the city's poor outskirts. (AP)

France Accuses Iran Of Secret Nuke Plans

Foreign minister says program is intended for military purposes

PARIS | France accused Iran on Thursday of secretly making nuclear weapons, ditching Europe's traditional diplomatic caution for bluntness in remarks that echoed the tough U.S. stance on Iran's disputed nuclear program.

The accusation from French Foreign Minister Philippe Douste-Blazy — which Iran quickly denied — appeared to reflect mounting exasperation and a tougher stance by one of three key European negotiators.

But German Chancellor Angela Merkel, by contrast, said Thursday that she was "truly optimistic, I would even say very optimistic, that we can do everything to solve this

conflict with diplomatic means."

The French Foreign Ministry insisted that Douste-Blazy's remarks were in line with the European position on Iran's program, but fellow negotiators Germany and Britain have not spoken so frankly.



Dousté-Blazy

"No civilian nuclear program can explain the Iranian nuclear program. It is a clandestine military nuclear program," Douste-Blazy said on France-2 television.

Iran's chief negotiator, Ali Larijani, lashed back.

"I recommend that Mr. Douste-Blazy speak in diplomatic terms and avoid increasing tension," he said, according to Iranian state-run television. JOHN LEICESTER (AP)

Army Gives Last MASH to Pakistan

MUZZAFARABAD, PAKISTAN | The U.S. Army said goodbye to its last MASH on Thursday, handing over the green tents, emergency room and surgical tables to Pakistani doctors and nurses who likely had never seen the hit TV show that made the field hospital a household name in the U.S.

For the past four months, the 212th MASH — or Mobile Army Surgical Hospital — has been stationed in a mountain valley in northern Pakistan treating survivors of the Oct. 8 earthquake that killed more than 80,000 people.

The military decided to donate the MASH to Pakistan because the Army is switching to a new approach, called "combat support hospital." (AP)



DOING TIME: Drunk drivers in Taiwan can now choose their penalty: Pay a fine or play mahjong with the elderly. First-time criminals in Taiwan are increasingly being given civil duties, such as spending time with the elderly, in lieu of other penalties.

World

Preval Named Victor in Haitian Poll

Allocation of blank ballots secures win for presidential favorite

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI | Singing, dancing and waving branches ripped from roadside trees, jubilant Haitians poured into the streets Thursday after a vote marred by fraud charges and massive protests ended in victory for the favored presidential candidate of the impoverished majority.

"Now we have hope," said Dabual Jean, a 24-year-old who earns about \$2 a day selling fruit on the street. "With Preval, hopefully we'll get on the right path."

Rene Preval, an agronomist and former president, made no public appearances Thursday, in keeping with his virtual silence as a days-long



PEOPLE'S CHOICE: Supporters of Haitian President-elect Rene Preval reach out to touch a ballot box on Thursday while celebrating Preval's win in Port-au-Prince.

vote count roiled the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

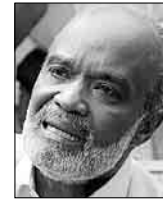
He remained shuttered inside his sister's house in the capital hours

after officials announced his victory, which was cemented early Thursday after election officials divided ballots that were left blank among all

candidates in proportion to the votes they'd received.

Preval had been a hair short of an outright majority after 96 percent of the vote was tabulated, sending masses of poor Haitians into the streets to protest what they called electoral fraud. The allegations gained weight with the discovery of ballots in a garbage dump.

Haitian officials then decided to divide the 85,000 blank ballots cast among the candidates in proportion to the percentage they had already achieved — giving Preval just over 51 percent, said Michel Brunache, chief of Cabinet for interim President Boniface Alexandre. (AP)



Preval

Shuttered Newspaper to Reopen in China

BEIJING | A Chinese newspaper supplement known for hard-hitting coverage of sensitive issues will resume publishing more than a month after being shut down, but its two top editors were fired, one of the editors said Thursday.

The closure of Bing Dian, a four-page weekly supplement of the China Youth Daily, was seen as part of the communist government's efforts to tighten control over the media. Though no official reason was given for the shutdown in late January, editor-in-chief Li Datong has said it was the culmination of tensions over the paper's content.

Li met with newspaper officials Thursday and said afterward he and deputy editor Lu Yuegang had been moved to another department. (AP)

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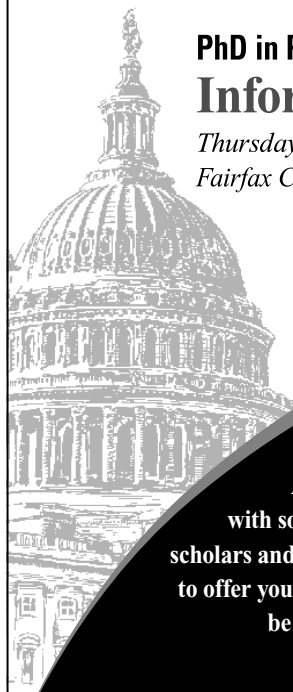
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Local

Memorial's 3 Spires Rise

Structure will stretch
270 feet high in honor
of U.S. Air Force

WASHINGTON | Three spires of stainless steel — the core of the Air Force Memorial — have begun rising above the western bank of the Potomac River.

"It evokes flight," retired Maj. Gen. Edward F. Grillo Jr., president of the Air Force Memorial Foundation, said Thursday.

The first of 15 stainless steel sections that will arc upward from the ground to form the memorial was lifted onto its concrete base this week. When finished in late June, the highest of the three gleaming structures will reach 270 feet into the air.

"It's really a takeoff on the United States Air Force Thunderbirds bomb blast formation," said Grillo, refer-



Workers first maneuvered the spires of the monument into place last week.

ring the team's signature maneuver.

The memorial will feature a walkway reminiscent of a runway,

and bronze statues of four airmen in dress uniforms, representing the honor guard seen at service funerals.

A glass sculpture of four aircraft in a "missing man" formation — typically seen at military funerals — will honor those killed in action. The names of past and future Air Force recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor will also be inscribed at the site.

The estimated price tag is \$48 million. Officials said \$45 million has been raised from corporations and private citizens.

The Air Force Memorial will dominate Arlington National Cemetery's southern approach in much the same way the Marine Corps' Iwo Jima Memorial frames its northern gate.

"A couple of very nice bookends to Arlington," Grillo said.

DERRILL HOLLY (AP)

Metro's Escalators Still A Sore Point for Riders

Quarterly report says
only 56 percent are
satisfied with service

WASHINGTON | Getting around the D.C. area on Metro trains and buses isn't the problem, but riders say using escalators to get in and out of the rail stations is still a headache.

In its quarterly performance report released Thursday, Metro said just 56 percent of its passengers are satisfied with escalator service. That approval rating is down slightly from last quarter, though Metro said a higher percentage of

escalators were available for use.

It's something that's been a sore point for the agency in recent years, as it deals with frequent outages and long-running repairs on many of the aging system's 588 escalators.

"We've got 50 escalators out every day," acting assistant general manager for operations Jim Hughes said. "Everybody that uses those stations uses at least two stations, a third of them use three because they transfer. Any station that you go to, you're going to see five or 10 escalators on your trip. One of them is going to be out, even if it's not the one you're on."

ASHTON WILLIAMS (AP)



John Deasy, left, is superintendent of Santa Monica-Malibu, Calif., schools.

Top Pick Named To Lead Schools In Pr. George's Co.

UPPER MARLBORO | The superintendent of a California school system emerged Thursday as the leading candidate to head the Prince George's County Public Schools.

The county Board of Education said John Deasy of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District was its first choice to be chief executive officer. Deasy rose to the top after the board met with him and two others this week.

"Dr. Deasy is the leading candidate at this point based upon his passion, his energy, his experience," said Charlene M. Dukes of personnel committee. (AP)

Virginia Education Board Picks Head

RICHMOND, VA. | Mark E. Emblidge, who was reappointed earlier this month to a second term on the state Board of Education by Gov. Timothy M. Kaine, on Thursday was unanimously elected president by his fellow board members.

Emblidge said he wants to see the success of the Standards of Learning program continue, as well as to challenge gifted students.

"There are still students that are not passing the tests," Emblidge said. (AP)

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Local

New Metro Chief Steps In

Tangherlini takes over as interim manger while search continues

WASHINGTON | Dan Tangherlini took the helm of Metro on Thursday, promising to improve passenger relations by listening to their ideas for making the transit agency better.

"I have a one-point plan, and that's simply to put our customers first," said the former director of the District of Columbia Department of Transportation.

As Metro's interim general manager, Tangherlini will oversee 10,000 employees and a transit system that carries 1.2 million subway



Tangherlini said his top goal as interim chief is to improve customer relations.

and bus passengers each day.

Tangherlini, 38, who previously represented the District on the Metro

Board, replaces Richard A. White, who ran Metro for 9½ years and was the longest-serving general manager in its 30-year history.

"Metro is an amazing accomplishment," Tangherlini told the board after being sworn in. "It really is proof of what our region can do when we get together and we work together."

Tangherlini is being given a temporary tryout while Metro conducts a national search. He struck a mostly upbeat tone Thursday while alluding to the agency's shortcomings.

He also won praise from Gladys Mack, the new chairwoman of the Metro Board, who on Thursday also outlined some of her plans for the year. BRIAN WESTLEY (AP)

Dancer's Ex-Boyfriend Convicted in Murder

Despite opposition by prosecutor and jury, man eligible for parole

ROCKVILLE | An exotic dancer's ex-boyfriend was sentenced Thursday to life in prison for her murder. But rejecting a prosecution request — and the jury's recommendation — the judge made Antoine L. Gatewood eligible for parole.

Gatewood was convicted of killing Emily Cagal, who performed at parties using the name "Jordan." Authorities believe that on March 2, Gatewood killed Cagal, 24, in her Bethesda apartment, then early the next morning removed

her body in a footlocker. Gatewood and an accomplice, Dion D. Desir, are seen on the building's surveillance video putting the footlocker into Cagal's 2005 Acura SUV and driving away in it.

The Acura was found March 8 in Washington. Cagal's body was discovered in a wooded area of Upper Marlboro on March 15.

Gatewood, 34, of Bowie, will be eligible for parole after serving a minimum of 25 years under the sentence imposed by Montgomery County Circuit Court Judge D. Warren Donohue.

"We felt that life without parole would be appropriate," state's attorney Douglas F. Gansler said. (AP)

Eight Arrested in Crime Ring Bust

FAIRFAX | Eight people were arrested this week in what Fairfax County police described as an organized crime ring that stretched from Maryland to North Carolina.

As part of the investigation — dubbed Operation Underdog — police seized nearly \$2 million in cash and about \$1 million worth of jewelry, county police said.

The investigation began more than 2 years ago when Fairfax County detectives discovered a family's ties to illegal sports gambling, officials said. Police later uncovered links to loan sharking, drug dealing and money laundering.

Officers in Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina raided 25 homes and businesses this month, authorities said. (AP)

The Lotteries

Thursday, February 16

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	5-6-2
Evening Lucky Numbers	4-5-9
Mid-day DC 4	8-9-8-6
Evening DC 4	6-5-8-0
Rolling Cash Five	17-31-28-27-30
Daily 6	31-9-25-29-22-21 Bonus: 01
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	3-8-14-19-37 (6)

MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	7-2-6
Evening Pick 3	8-4-0
Mid-day Pick 4	3-6-6-8
Evening Pick 4	0-0-7-0
Match 5	11-20-26-33-38 Bonus: 24
Lotto (Wed.)	05-22-28-29-35-42

VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	2-8-4
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	8-9-3
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	6-3-0-1

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	9-5-1-0
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	01-06-07-17-22
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	04-08-24-28-33
Lotto South (Wed.)	04-05-18-19-27

MULTI-STATE GAMES	
Powerball (Wed.)	03-13-35-39-40 (37)
Power Play	05

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Money

XM Posts Loss, Exec Quits

**Radio operator may
be headed for a 'crisis,'
says outgoing director**

NEW YORK | XM Satellite Radio Holdings Inc.'s losses soared in the fourth quarter on higher costs for marketing and acquiring subscribers, and a key director quit over disagreements about the company's direction, warning of a looming "crisis."

Investors punished the shares of the Washington, D.C.-based company, sending them down \$1.04, or 4 percent, to \$24.21 in very heavy volume Thursday afternoon on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Of particular concern was the

TUNING IN TO SATELLITE

→ **XM** said it had more than 5.9 million subscribers at the end of 2005, up 84 percent from a year earlier. Rival Sirius has said it has more than 3 million subscribers.

→ **Overall marketing** costs nearly doubled in the fourth quarter to \$196.5 million, and costs for programming more than tripled to \$30.6 million. (AP)

unexpected departure of Pierce J. Roberts Jr. from XM's board of directors, who said in his resignation letter that he was "troubled" by the company's current path.

"Given current course and speed there is, in my view, a significant

chance of a crisis on the horizon," Roberts wrote in the letter, which the company disclosed in a regulatory filing.

Roberts didn't detail his concerns in the letter. However the company said in a statement accompanying the letter that Roberts had been pressing for tighter cost controls, a position the company and other directors disagreed with, favoring instead efforts to continue XM's rapid growth of subscribers.

XM, the larger of the country's two satellite radio operators, lost \$270.4 million after dividends for preferred stockholders, for the October-December period. Revenue more than doubled to \$177.1 million from \$83.1 million. SETH SUTEL (AP)

In Brief

HOUSTON

**Ex-Enron Exec Says Skilling
Told Him to Mislead Board**

Kenneth Rice, former chief of Enron Corp.'s struggling broadband unit, testified Thursday that his boss, Jeffrey Skilling, directed him to paint a rosy, misleading picture for the Enron board of directors that was in line with false state-

ments Rice said he already made to financial analysts in 2001. But Rice said in his third day on the stand at the fraud and conspiracy trial of Skilling and founder Kenneth Lay that he had no documents and "only my recollection" to back up a conversation he had with Skilling, Enron's chief executive, as he prepared for a May 2001 meeting of the company's board. As he has done throughout his testimony, Rice stopped short of saying Skilling lied to investors about the health of Enron. (AP)

SINDELINGEN, GERMANY

**DaimlerChrysler Posts
Earnings of \$3.3B in 2005**

DaimlerChrysler AG posted improved financial results for the fourth quarter and all of 2005 on Thursday, largely because of improved revenue and profit from its Chrysler unit. The company, which is based in Stuttgart, Germany, and Auburn Hills, Mich., earned \$1.15 billion in the quarter ending Dec. 31. For the year, the company earned \$3.3 billion. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
StarGas	2.97	+0.48	+19.3
EnerSys	14.40	+1.97	+15.8
Adminstf	47.30	+5.88	+14.2
StarGssr	2.36	+0.24	+11.3
Symmetry	22.77	+2.25	+11.0

Losers

LamSessn	25.45	-6.60	-20.6
Guess	40.15	-6.05	-13.1
Libbey	10.28	-1.40	-12.0
NavigCons	19.83	-2.52	-11.3
OrmatTc	37.98	-4.34	-10.3

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Sentigen	4.62	+1.29	+38.7
VA Sftwr	2.60	+0.52	+25.0
WildOats	17.21	+2.57	+17.6
Vllmgs	33.56	+4.71	+16.3
BB Hldgs	6.42	+0.89	+16.1

Losers

ThomasGp n	6.97	-2.97	-29.9
Educate	8.89	-3.01	-25.3
Alfacell	3.27	-0.93	-22.1
PW Eagle	19.03	-5.05	-21.0
Expedia n	19.82	-4.43	-18.3

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	7.50	7.50
Fed Funds close	4.50	4.50
3-month disc	4.43	4.44
2-year	4.69	4.66
10-year	4.59	4.55
30-year	4.57	4.65

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5749	.5748	.5302
Canadian Dollar	1.1573	1.1571	1.2364
European Euro	.8408	.8415	.7672
Japanese Yen	117.74	117.88	105.36
Mexican Peso	10.4930	10.5170	11.1510
Taiwanese Dollar	32.40	32.35	31.56

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Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
Allergan	109.68	+1.88	+1.6
AstraZen	45.53	-.01	-6.3
BarrPhm	66.55	+0.33	+6.8
BrMySq	22.99	-.11	...
ForestLab	46.77	-.49	+15.0
Hospira	46.40	-.32	+8.5
IvaxCorp	25.98	...	-17.1
JohnJn	58.98	-.12	-1.9
LillyEli	56.36	+0.34	-.4
Merck	35.98	+0.69	+13.1
MylanLab	22.70	+0.14	+13.7
Pfizer	25.81	+0.20	+10.7
SchergPl	19.33	+0.59	-7.3
Sepracor	56.87	-.11	+10.2
Wyeth	48.30	+0.55	+4.8



OLYMPICS

From Russia With Love: As expected, Evgeni Plushenko wins the gold in figure skating. But American Johnny Weir falls to fifth | 15

Sports Weekend

Point Proven

Arenas set for a return trip to the All-Star Game

WIZARDS | All other comparisons aside, at least Gilbert Arenas has one thing in common with Michael Jordan — they're both the Washington Wizards' only two-time All-Stars.

Arenas — who goes into this weekend as the Wizards' only All-Star selection this year — doesn't consider himself a Michael Jordan quite yet. But, he says, he tries to carry Jordan's mentality into every game he plays.

"I'm a shooter. I'm the factor," Arenas said. "If they don't stop me, the game's over."

And opponents haven't done that good of a job stopping him so far. He's scored more than 25 points in 30 of their 41 games, driving his scoring average to fourth-in-the-league 28.3 points per game, his career best.

But being a more prolific scorer, while helpful in getting him named to the All-Star team — as a substitute for the injured Jermaine O'Neal — isn't enough for him this year, Arenas said. He's now turning his game to other things that may not immediately involve the swish of a net.

The main effort so far, he says, has been to rededicate himself to the opposite end of the floor. Of course, that's something that all the Wizards have been putting extra work into, helping lift the team from their season low-point of the fourth-worst defense in the league to the 20th-ranked defense.

After all, while a spot on the All-

Gilbert Arenas is averaging a career high 28.3 points per game.

PAIR OF POSTSEASONS?

If Washington wants to make the playoffs for the second time in a row, a few things will need to occur:

→ **Caron Butler** and Antawn Jamison will have to continue their hot play. If Butler can continue to be that Larry Hughes-esque third threat, and Jamison can keep pouring in the double-doubles, opponents will have no answer when the Wiz pile in the points.

→ **Defense, defense, defense.** Defense. Def — oh, fine, you get the point. It was the main weakness last year. They've gotten better, but not better enough.

Star roster in nice, it's not really what Arenas is after. He could have racked up All-Star recognitions year after year with the floundering Golden State Warriors — where he started his career before signing with the Wizards two years ago — and it wouldn't have mattered one bit.

"I'm trying to win games," he said. "It's easier for me to win here."

Winning isn't all about scoring — but you certainly need to score to win. That's one thing about Arenas that has made him so valuable to the Wizards this year: His dedication to spreading the ball around to diversify the scoring threat and ease the pressure on himself.

It's all part of Arenas' maturity into not just the Wizards' best scorer, but a team leader. It's a role that he's quietly — and sometimes not so quietly — assuming.

In the end, though, All-Star spots are fundamentally individual recognition — and Arenas is certainly deserving of the praise for his individual accomplishments this year.

But coach Eddie Jordan said what's making the Wizards better is his ability to gauge when it's his time and when it isn't.

"Gil knows how to play off well with his teammates," Jordan said. "That's Gilbertology, and I have to trust that sometimes." CHRIS MINCHER (EXPRESS)

TV Lineup



Jeff Gordon is hoping to start his year off on the right foot at the Daytona 500.

→ **ON YOUR MARK:** Jeff Gordon and Dale Earnhardt Jr. will be looking to rebound from down years when taking part in the Super Bowl of NASCAR — the Daytona 500 on Sunday (1:30 p.m. on NBC), which is also the first race of the year.

→ **NOVA:** No. 17 Georgetown, led by coach John Thompson III, faces one of the best teams in the country, No. 4 Villanova, on Sunday (1 p.m. on Channel 7).

→ **STING:** In some years, Maryland would have no trouble with the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets on Saturday (4 p.m. on DC20). But the Terps are having trouble beating anyone right now.

→ **STARRY NIGHTS:** The NBA's best are on display first with the three-point shootout and slam-dunk contest on Saturday (8 p.m. on TNT) and then the All-Star Game on Sunday (8:30 p.m. on TNT).

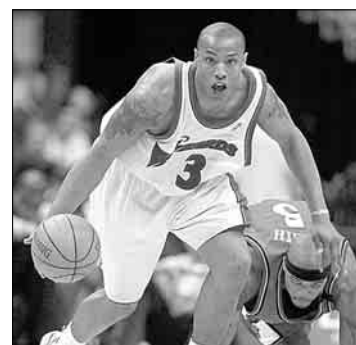
→ **COLONIAL WAY:** No. 7 George Washington keeps on escaping close games in the Atlantic 10. Next up is a road game at Richmond on Saturday (7 p.m. on CSN).

→ **BRACKET BUSTER:** George Mason's chances of making the NCAA Tournament as an at-large team may depend on the Patriots defeating Wichita State on Saturday (8 p.m. on ESPN2).

OLYMPICS | Dog Tags These Olympics are going to the dogs. Just ask Chevy Rahlves, the butterscotch-and-white Siberian husky that belongs to U.S. Ski Team star Daron Rahlves. Wherever he goes around this Alpine resort, Chevy dutifully wears an official-issue pass around



his neck — the kind of pass that confers serious access. The plastic-sheathed pass — created by the U.S. Olympic Committee — reads "Chevy Rahlves/Skiing/Security" and includes a photo of the pooch looking off into the distance, as if deep in thought. (AP)



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Weekend Sports

Back on the Bubble

Terrapins' recent slide could result in second straight trip to the NIT

TERPS HOOPS | This article has been written before. Or at least something very similar.

It was about this time last season when the Maryland Terrapins began a nosedive, struggling mightily as the Atlantic Coast Conference season wound down and ultimately missing the NCAA tournament for the first time in 11 seasons.

This year, the Terrapins started their run of poor play a little sooner and with five games left, they desperately need to catch fire. For coach Gary Williams and his players, it's simple: Start winning or hope for a spot in the NIT, the college basketball equivalent of dining at the kiddie table.

"You have to be competitive going down the stretch," Williams said this week. "This is a great time of year for all the teams, just to see how well you can finish."

Maryland (15-9, 5-6 in the ACC) didn't help matters by losing to a lackluster Clemson team on Tuesday.

The Terrapins have lost five of



Despite Travis Garrison's block, the Terps lost a fourth-straight game to Clemson.

seven games since leading scorer Chris McCray was ruled academically ineligible. They've played well in spurts but have failed to put a complete game together.

To finish above .500 in the conference, Maryland must win four of its final five games. That trying task begins Saturday against Georgia Tech (10-13, 3-9), then gets tougher with games against Florida State, North Carolina, Miami and Virginia, all of which are above

Maryland in the standings.

A year ago, the ACC sent four teams to the NCAA tournament, including one that finished 8-8 in conference. The league could send more teams this year, but 8-8 is unlikely to get it done. Currently, six schools have winning ACC records.

"I think we're good enough to get seven [teams in the tournament]," Williams said. "But we'll have to see how that plays out." **DEREK TURNER**

GW Grabs the Spotlight

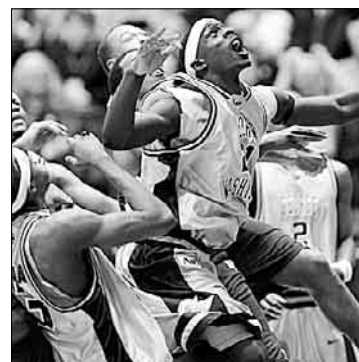
Excitement builds as the Colonials extend their win streak to 13

GW HOOPS | Over the last decade, schools like Duke and Connecticut have basked in the Division I basketball spotlight while George Washington stood in the corner holding a candle.

But that's not the case this season, as the Colonials have won 13-straight (the longest current streak in D-I) while nudging their way onto the big stage.

Still, these GW players seem less interested in flaunting their No. 7 ranking than they are in continuing to pile up wins.

"It feels good," senior forward Mike Hall said. "But we know the



Senior Pops Mensah-Bonsu goes for a rebound for GW on Wednesday night.

ranking doesn't guarantee us anything in March and it's not going to make other teams we play lay down."

As much as the Colonials try to downplay their spot in the Associated Press poll — the school's

highest in 40 years — it is a source of campus pride.

The attention has brought four straight sellouts to the Smith Center — including Wednesday's 69-66 win over the University of Massachusetts.

As focused as these Colonials are on repeating as Atlantic 10 champions, they still have the occasional daydream about matching up with those traditional powers ranked ahead of them.

"I do that when I watch the Lakers play, too," senior forward Pops Mensah-Bonsu said recently. "You've got to do that because those are your peers. I'll be looking at [Duke's] Sheldon Williams or how would [Danilo Pinnock] be able to guard J.J. Redick. That's just our competitive spirit." **ERIC BRANDNER**

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NATIONALS | BY MATT SWENSON

Spring's Here, But Hope Isn't

THIS WEEKEND, the Washington Nationals report to Viera, Fla., for spring training — an unofficial end to winter, when hope's supposed to spring eternal.

Except here in Washington, where Alfonso Soriano clearly doesn't want to play; where there's no proven starter behind Livan Hernandez and John Patterson, and where there's still no owner.

Add to the mix this nasty, drawn-out battle over a stadium lease that will only be over if baseball agrees to the D.C. Council's changes.

It's just hard to get excited about this coming season.

On paper, the Nationals look easier to shoot down than quails.

That's not GM Jim Bowden's fault. Without an owner for a second straight year, he couldn't improve the roster, and in fact, was forced to let Esteban Loaiza and Hector Carrasco sign elsewhere.

Desperate to generate fan interest, Bowden went for Sammy

Sosa, who fortunately would rather retire than earn a spot on a baseball team.

The Nationals' success will come down to the health of Nick Johnson, Jose Vidro and Jose Guillen. That's like counting on Bud Selig to choose, well, you know, an owner.

The guess here is the team wins

On paper, the Nationals look easier to shoot down than quails.

closer to 70 games than 80 and attendance drops considerably. Who's going to want to fork over cash to watch a mediocre team playing a sport that keeps on trying to extort millions of dollars from the city?

But cheer up, sports fans. There's no beating this weather.

Matt Swenson is Express' sports editor. E-mail matt.swenson@readexpress.com

Hoyas Stay Guarded

Villanova is just the latest tough test for No. 17 Georgetown

HOYAS HOOPS | The Georgetown Hoyas are looking for a solid finish to the regular season, closing out their schedule with hopes of taking that momentum into the Big East tournament and, if all goes right, the NCAA tournament.

Oh, wait, they have to travel Sunday to play No. 4 Villanova first. That kind of changes the plans a bit. "Everyone knows about Villanova. It's very, very tough on the road here. So we just have to refocus and put all of our energy into getting ready," coach John Thompson III said.

Villanova (19-2) has already muscled through a victory this week over No. 1 ranked Connecticut. But Georgetown isn't unused to facing off against the top dogs — they already conquered that feat themselves this year by knocking off Duke when they were the No. 1-ranked team. The Hoyas say their method of coping with the pressure is just playing it cool.



Allan Ray is part of No. 4 Villanova's unique four-guard offense this season.

"We're going through our normal routine. We've had a couple of these situations already this year," Thompson said. "We had been expecting and waiting."

Waiting to face off against Randy Foye, Allan Ray, Mike Nardi and Kyle Lowry can't have been too pleasant of an experience for anyone on the Georgetown roster. But players said that waiting period hasn't been one of over-prepa-

ration. On both sides of the court, players said, they have confidence in sticking to the same game plan, as always.

"We run our regular offense, and whoever makes open shots, makes open shots," guard Ashanti Cook said. CHRIS MINCHER (EXPRESS)

Late game: The Hoyas-Marquette game ended after Express' deadline. For results | Today's Post, Sports

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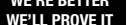
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Weekend Sports



The U.S. women have had little trouble so far heading into Friday's semifinals.

U.S., Canada on Collision Course In Hockey Final

WOMEN'S HOCKEY | Though captain Krissy Wendell and the U.S. women's hockey team devote hours in sports psychology sessions on the art of focus, it's devilishly hard to stay locked on Friday's semifinal against Sweden — what with Canada looming. If it's any consolation, the Canadians can't avoid such thoughts, either.

After unbeaten runs through the preliminary round, the Canadians and the Americans seem headed for their third straight collision in the gold-medal match since their sport

was added to the Olympics in 1998.

The teams never have really considered any other development in their 16-year rivalry: Since the first world championships, they've never faced anybody except each other in any tournament final.

"You want to win, but you want to win playing your best," said U.S. forward Julie Chu. "That's why it would be weird if we played anybody except Canada, but we really don't want to take anything for granted."

So they'll worry first about the semifinals. While Canada must beat Finland, which put a scare into the Americans before falling 7-3 in the first-round finale, the U.S. faces Sweden and talented goalie Kim Martin. GREG BEACHAM (AP)

Americans Net Win

Hockey team bounces back from tie in 4-1 victory vs. Kazakhstan

MEN'S HOCKEY | The U.S. hockey team found just what it needed to get going in the Olympics. A good night's rest and a game against Kazakhstan.

Rick DiPietro, in his debut, stopped 11 shots Thursday night in a 4-1 victory. The U.S. (1-0-1) used three first-period goals to move into second place in Group B with three points, behind Slovakia — the Americans' next opponent and the only 2-0 team in the six-squad bunch.

It didn't take long for the U.S. to shake off any remaining jet lag and the disappointment of its 3-3 tie with Latvia in Wednesday's opener. The Americans quickly established dominance over a team that fielded only two NHL players.

Anything but a victory would have made the chances of advancing to the quarterfinals near impossible as the Americans still have their three toughest matchups ahead of



Kazakhstan's goaltender Vitaliy Kolesnik is knocked off the ice by Chris Drury.

them in a four-day span beginning Saturday.

The Americans peppered goaltender Vitaliy Kolesnik, who has been in the minor leagues since a seven-game stint with Colorado in December. He faced 17 shots in the first period and gave up power-play goals to Brian Rolston and Brian Gionta along with an even-strength score by Bill Guerin that made it

1-0 just 1:34 in.

Mike Modano made it 4-1 at 11:53 of the third, 51 seconds after Yevgeniy Koreshev scored for Kazakhstan on its first third-period shot.

DiPietro turned aside five shots in the first period — only one of which came from in close as the Americans dominated.

IRA PODELL (AP)

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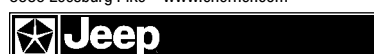


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Canada	1	3	4	8
Austria	3	2	1	6
China	1	2	3	6
Italy	2	0	3	5
Finland	0	2	3	5

GOLD STANDARDS



→ Switzerland's **Maya Pedersen** won her country's first gold medal of the Turin Games in women's skeleton on

Thursday. Pedersen completed her two runs in 1 minute, 59.83 seconds, 1.23 seconds ahead of Shelley Rudman of Britain — the first medal of these games for the Brits. Katie Uhlaender of the U.S. finished sixth.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

→ **Italy** sent the home crowd into a frenzy at the speedskating oval by winning the first gold in men's team pursuit, defeating Canada in the final after upsetting the U.S. and the Netherlands.



→ Russian biathlon star **Olga Pyleva** was thrown out of the Turin Games and stripped of her silver medal Thursday for

doping, the first athlete caught in the tightest drug net in Winter Olympics history.

→ Faced with a slumping teammate and a match that was slipping away, the **United States** men's curling team rallied around struggling second Joe Polo at halftime and came back to beat first-place Sweden 10-6.

TALK TO THE POST

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SNOW DERBY: Seth Wescott and Jason R. Smith, France's Paul-Henri Delerue and Austria's Dieter Krassnig compete during the men's snowboardcross semifinal.

Wescott's Wild Win

American takes home gold in the inaugural snowboardcross run

SNOWBOARDCROSS | Suspended in midair, Seth Wescott's biggest worry was making sure he didn't land on top of his opponent and crush him. Not exactly a typical Olympic moment.

Then again, snowboardcross isn't a typical Olympic sport.

The American racer missed Slovakia's Radoslav Zidek on that tight landing Thursday, then passed him for the win in the Olympic debut of the wild sport of snowboardcross.

For that, Wescott earned a gold medal. Everyone else got warm compresses and aspirin.

"To have a great race like that in the finals, I think it just makes the sport look good," Wescott said.

There was bumping, thrashing, wipeouts and worse during the 90-

minutes of NASCAR on Ice, a series of four-man races down the mountain with everyone vying for space on the tight, high-banked, 1,000-yard course.

In the final race, Wescott's winning move stood out for its pure finesse — a sly slip past Zidek with time running out. Paul-Henri Delerue of France won bronze.

"I was screaming the entire time," said U.S. coach Peter Foley, who called it the best day of snow-

boardcross he's ever seen.

Wescott would surely agree.

The 29-year-old capped a decade-long quest to become an Olympic medalist, one that took him through the halfpipe and across the rough-and-tumble courses of snowboardcross, his sport's more violent — and maybe more exciting — cousin.

"I think for a lot of people who just see snowboarding in the halfpipe, they might not see all the intricacies of it," Wescott said. "But with this, they love the racing aspect and for all of us, it's one of the things that makes it so exciting to do. I think that translates to the viewing public, too." **EDDIE PELLIS (AP)**

A World of Difference in Skating

Plushenko easily wins gold while American Weir tumbles to fifth

FIGURE SKATING | Almost all Evgeni Plushenko had to do was stay on his feet.

That's more than his rivals could manage.

The three-time world champion took few chances, yet still earned another personal best Thursday night to grab the fifth straight Olympic title for a Russian/Soviet man.

He pretty much owned it when he showed up in Turin, and the rest of the field couldn't come close to measuring up. "It was my dream when I was 4," he said.

Plushenko said he plans to

stick around for the 2010 Games — "I'll be only 27. It's a good age for a skater."

That can't make the others happy, especially after they crashed and burned in the free skate.

"There are years between Plushenko and everybody else," said U.S. champion Johnny Weir, who plunged from second after the short program to fifth overall.

Stephane Lambiel of Switzerland won silver and Jeff Buttle of Canada got bronze.

Weir, who skated a cautious program filled with errors, stormed out of the rink when his mediocre marks were shown.

"I missed the bus. They changed the schedule," Weir said. "It was every 10 minutes. Today it was every half-hour. I was late getting



Johnny Weir hangs his head after his disappointing routine on Thursday.

"Russians skate like they own the ice, and others skate like they're afraid of falling on it."

Sally Jenkins says Plushenko fits right into Russia's long legacy of great skaters | **Today in Sports**

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here and never caught up. I never felt comfortable in this building. I didn't feel my inner peace. I didn't feel my aura. Inside I was black."

Plushenko had no such dark moments. He was far too good for the rest of the field, finishing with a score of 167.67 points in the free skate and 258.33 overall — an incredible 27.12 points in front of Lambiel. **BARRY WILNER (AP)**

Entertainment Weekend

TELEVISION

Knight in Dingy Scrubs: T.R. Knight talks about his role as lovestruck, kind-hearted George on ABC's "Grey's Anatomy" | 28



Live & Kicking

A fresh take on the concert film wins Neil Young solid 'Gold'

FILM | Most concert films look alike. The panoramas of the band and crowd from the back of the theater. The cameras slowly panning, cameramen skulking about and getting in one another's shots. The big finish with the headliner and 109 special guests all wielding guitars.

All that is missing in Jonathan Demme's superb "Neil Young: Heart of Gold," and that's what makes the film so special.

Demme puts Young, some longtime musical companions and a terrific batch of old and new songs at center stage, then maintains the focus solely on those harmonious ingredients.

We hear but never see the audience at Nashville's historic Ryman Auditorium, where Young premiered the tunes of his latest album, "Prairie Wind," last August, with Demme on hand to document it over two nights.



STAGE DRIVING: In "Heart of Gold," Neil Young takes a journey through past pain.

Everything about the production serves to complement and flavor intimate performances from Young at his country-tinged best, singing, playing and conversing with gusto after recovering from surgery early in 2005 to correct a potentially fatal brain aneurysm.

Young wrote and recorded most of the 10 songs on "Prairie Wind" while awaiting surgery, uncertain if he would live to make another album. The tunes hark back to the comforting, contemplative acoustic sound of his classic records "Harvest" and "Harvest Moon," the songs inspired by reflections on mortality, his family, his father's death, his own musical legacy.

Nine of the "Prairie Wind" songs make up the first part of "Heart of Gold," Young proving movingly introspective on such tunes as "It's a Dream" and "When God Made Me."

Young is not only a great musician but also a wonderful storyteller. He offers eloquent introductions to some songs, his preludes tinged with happy-sad recollections and amusing asides.

And as he nears the big finale, Young offers a great wisecrack, surveying the long, long line of friends stretching across the stage, all slinging guitars, and asks, "Is there a guitarist in the house?"

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

Got Plans?

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The boyfriend and I are heading to the Folger for the first time and don't have a clue where to eat. We're open to a lot, but really need to get in and out of the door quickly, so we don't miss the curtain.

If you're checking out "Measure for Measure," with its innovative devices, try one of these rhyming choices: Sonoma or La Loma. Wine and nibbles or Mexican — your choice.

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Aaron Posner's direction makes "Measure for Measure" new again.

Is there a bar scene at Zengo or Rasika? If yes, what is it like and when might be the best night to go?

There are scenes at both, but Rasika seems to have the more innovative cocktail menu. As for best night to go, it really depends on the scene you're seeking. Obviously there are crowds on Thursday/Friday/Saturday, so you might try looking in on a Tuesday.

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Doing the Misguided Thing

'Freedomland' tells an excellent story in all the wrong ways

FILM | "Freedomland" clearly was an *important* film for Joe Roth — so important that the esteemed Hollywood executive decided he had to direct it himself.

Sadly for Roth and stars Samuel L. Jackson and Julianne Moore, "Freedomland" will be inconsequential to audiences. The movie has nothing insightful to say about the social issues it tackles — racial unrest, police authoritarianism, the tragic outcomes that can arise from the pressures of single parenting.



RACE RELATIONS: Julianne Moore and Samuel L. Jackson find "Freedomland."

Adapted by Richard Price from his own novel, "Freedomland" opens with Moore meandering in distracted confusion through the

tough black housing projects of a New Jersey town bordering on a blue-collar white enclave.

Moore's Brenda Martin ends

up at a hospital, claiming she's a victim of a carjacking by a black man. After police detective Lorenzo Council (Jackson) shows up to take her statement, Brenda spills the beans: Her four-year-old son was asleep in the back seat of the car and now is missing.

Minutes into the movie, this discovery is followed by bellowing between Moore and Jackson that's so shriekingly over-the-top, "Freedomland" never recovers.

White police storm-troop into the neighborhood to find Brenda's boy and nab his abductor, while terrorized black residents respond with rage. At one point, a character exhorts another to "do the right thing," a blunt reminder of how powerful a story of urban strife can be. Joe Roth is no Spike Lee.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

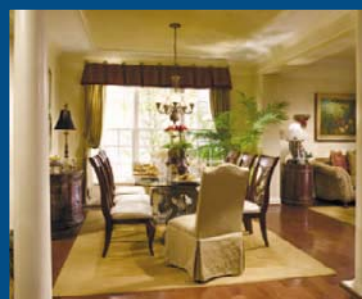
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ANNAPOLIS (PG-13, 105 minutes) Set at a barely recognizable U.S. Naval Academy envisioned not as an educational institution but as a kind of boxing camp for the underprivileged, this movie watches breathlessly as a boy from the wrong side of the tracks makes good once he learns the eternal lessons of teamwork, self-effacement, self-discipline and a really cute smile. (SH)

BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13, 99 minutes) Martin Lawrence is FBI agent Malcolm Turner, who slaps on the big lady equipment (again) so he can pose undercover as a nanny to uncover the nefarious doings of the big daddy of the household. To add subplot injury to main-plot insult, Malcolm has to keep his mission secret from the FBI and his pregnant wife (Nia Long). Please tell me you've heard enough. (DT)

THE BOYS OF BARAKA (Unrated, 84 minutes) This rich, satisfying documentary follows four inner-city boys who discover their potential at a boarding school in Kenya. We meet them as they wend their way through tortured schools and troubled families. Each has demonstrated potential, though, and they are recruited to attend the Baraka School, founded in '96 by a Baltimore-based foundation. Their minds are blown in Kenya, but the story takes a wrenching turn. "Baraka" is a soaring, complex testament to survival, character and hope. (AH)

BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R, 134 minutes) From the moment Ennis Del Mar (Heath Ledger) and Jack Twist (Jake Gyllenhaal) meet, it's just a matter of when, not if. As a tragic evocation of the costs of homophobia, the film is a watershed. But as a testament to the importance of following one's passion, it's devoid of passion. (AH)

CACHÉ (R, 112 minutes) Someone is watching M. Georges Laurent. One day in the mail he receives a videotape that shows nothing except his own banal comings and goings. For now, M. Laurent (Daniel Auteuil) — a member of Paris's cognitive elite, with a beautiful wife (Juliette Binoche) and an elegant townhouse—is under somebody's microscope. The film has a great deal of difficulty overcoming the absurdity of its premise. (SH)

CAPOTE (R, 98 minutes) It is a comical image: mincing, piping little Truman Capote in his cashmere scarf tiptoeing



FOXY GRANDPA: Harrison Ford looks good for his age, but dude doesn't have the pep required of a 21st-century action hero.

around the bleak wheaty burg of Holcomb, Kan., in the wake of some horrific murders about which he admits he doesn't really care. As Capote, Philip Seymour Hoffman makes you believe in the man: an artist's personality, ruthless and shrewd; a hysteric's delicate grasp of his emotions; a charmer whose wiles could wear down even wary Kansas lawmen. (SH)

THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE (PG, 140 minutes) Andrew Adamson's sterling version of the perdurable C.S. Lewis classic of children's fantasy is well told, handsome, stirring and loads of fun. For kids, the pleasure will be in some of the best special effects of the year. And for both, the overarching endearment will be a narrative, which speeds through its two-hour-plus running time. (SH)

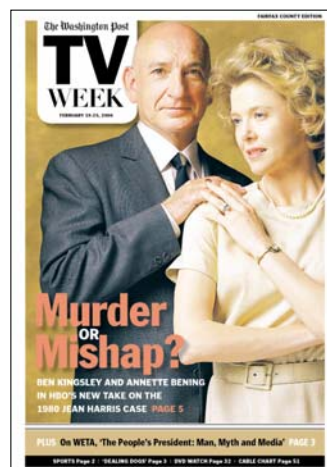
END OF THE SPEAR (PG-13, 108 minutes) In 1956 five American missionaries were speared to death by Ecuadorean tribesmen they had hoped to convert. Anyone who wants to see honorable men martyred should be satisfied. The film reprises the events that led to the tragedy and the moral victory that followed: The families of those slain prevailed upon the natives to stop infighting. The most powerful moments are documentary excerpts of a son's friendship with the man who killed his father. (DT)

FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R, 92 minutes) The third movie in this series underscores how inevitably death comes to those who are, well, in the cast. The movie allows gleeful comfort in the destruction of the stupid and doomed. (DT)

FIREWALL (PG-13, 120 minutes) Harrison Ford plays Jack Stanfield, a security systems designer who is held at gunpoint, along with his family, by a criminal mastermind who knows Jack designed the security for a global bank. Jack must save his family and outwit the bad guys. Unfortunately, Ford's brand of action-hero has become obsolete — at least for him. Although the actor looks great for 63, the job calls for vigor and virility. Flagging energy isn't the only issue; Ford has become enslaved in his own clichés. (DT)

GLORY ROAD (PG, 109 minutes) In 1966, Don Haskins led the first all-black starting lineup to victory in the NCAA basketball championships, along the way becoming a sports legend and a political hero. He wants his team at Texas Western University in El Paso to win, and in order to recruit winners, he goes where the strong players are — on the streets of Detroit, the South Bronx and Gary, Ind. The movie consists of the usual sports movie clichés, but they are executed with terrific assurance. (AH)

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Mistress of Death: In "Mrs. Harris," Annette Bening plays a schoolteacher who loves her diet-doctor boyfriend (Ben Kingsley) enough to kill. | *TV Week*

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GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK (PG-13, 93 minutes) George Clooney, who directed and co-wrote, retells the story of crusading journalist Ed Murrow, who stood up to braying political bully Joe McCarthy. The stylizations of '50s TV drama, including black-and-white cinematography, are terrific. Clooney casts himself as Murrow's producer, Fred W. Friendly, but hardly registers. Strathairn dominates the movie with furious intelligence, guts, will and nobility. (SH)

A GOOD WOMAN (PG, 93 minutes) Screenwriter Howard Himelstein set this clever rearranging of Oscar Wilde's first great play — "Lady Windermere's Fan" — among a smart set of fey aristo expat decadents on Italy's picturesque Amalfi coast in the early '30s. Lady Windermere is American (Scarlett Johansson). It's a good move, as Mrs. Windermere seems stupid and spoiled and that's within Johansson's grip. This movie retains Wilde's sense of pace and place and snappy one-liners and finds a new way to showcase them brilliantly. (SH)

A HISTORY OF VIOLENCE (R, 95 minutes) Like a Trojan horse, David Cronenbergs' film has a hidden and powerful purpose. Seemingly a mainstream shoot-'em-up flick, in which the soft-spoken Tom Stall (Viggo Mortensen) defends his family against a horde of hoodlums, the movie's really about our Pavlovian conditioning to violence. (DT)

HOODWINKED (PG, 81 minutes) The angle taken by this unnecessary variant of the "Little Red Riding Hood" story seems to have more to do with marketing than storytelling: It's to reinvest the Grimm Brothers story in the idiom of the television series "Dragnet." Who will be familiar with these stylizations? The answer: grandparents. And as animation, it's far from state of the art; the creatures seem more like rubber toys, and their faces are without nuance or vividness. (SH)

IMAGINE ME & YOU (R, 94 minutes) Rachel (Piper Perabo) is engaged to an Englishman who's good-looking, cheery, loving and supportive. So why is she looking once, twice, thrice at Luce (Lena Headey), the florist for her upcoming wedding? The movie has an original agenda: to make a romantic comedy that revolves around love between two women. But there's nothing new: The movie settles for clichés. Sure, it establishes the right for gay characters to enjoy roles traditionally reserved for heterosexuals. Is it an achievement when it's the same dumb roles? (DT)

KING KONG (PG-13, 187 minutes) This film features Jack Black as energetic film entrepreneur Carl Denham, who hires a tramp steamer, tricks playwright Jack

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Driscoll (Adrien Brody), movie star Bruce Baxter (Kyle Chandler) and untested actress Ann Darrow (Naomi Watts) into joining him on Skull Island. There he discovers a 25-foot-tall ape to whom they offer apparently virgin-bride sacrifices. But Kong sees Darrow and falls in hot monkey love. The movie is full of mesmerization, astonishment, thrills, chills, spills, kills and ills, a big monkey picture show that's certainly the best popular entertainment of the year. (SH)

LAST HOLIDAY (PG-13, 112 minutes) A good-hearted, kind-spirited, if mild pleasure. Queen Latifah plays Georgia Byrd, who works in a department store. Then, a CAT scan suggests that she has three weeks to live. She quits, cashes in and heads to the Czech Republic, where she puts in at a five-star joint. Amid the splendors, Georgia's fundamental decency and good sense soon win converts among the rich and famous. The movie is never terribly funny or terribly dramatic, but Latifah's quiet solidity and common sense root it in ways that larger, louder pictures never achieve. (SH)

THE MATADOR (R, 96 minutes) Pierce Brosnan plays a middle-age sleaze bag with a gold neck chain, a gut and a porn-



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TO GET RILED UP by Lars von Trier's "Manderlay" would be to validate him. With the second film, after 2004's "Dogville," in his trilogy indicting America, he seems to be saying something about race relations, but what? Here, the fugitive Grace (Bryce Dallas Howard) ends up at Manderlay plantation, where slavery still thrives 70 years after abolition, to offer freedom. She walks them through the minutiae of democracy and while they're busy voting on what time they think it is, everyone neglects to plant the cotton, thereby thrusting the plantation into economic turmoil. In such a stressful situation, even the wide-eyed, idealistic Grace cannot remain pure of thought and deed. CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

star mustache who kills for a living. In a hotel bar in Mexico City, he meets Danny Wright (Greg Kinnear), a traveling salesman. Their chance encounter is the beginning of a darkly fascinating relationship. This noirish movie is constantly couched in quotation marks and takes a tentative approach. (DT)

MATCH POINT (R, 124 minutes) In Woody Allen's new film, Jonathan Rhys-Meyers plays Chris Wilton, a retired tennis player who has given up the pro circuit to teach

the rich and untalented. When one of his students — easygoing Tom Hewett (Matthew Goode) — invites him to the opera, a new world opens before him. But no sooner has Chris started dating Tom's sister Chloe (Emily Mortenson) when he meets Nola (Scarlett Johansson), Tom's sultry fiancée. This British-made film is elegant, uncompromising and oh-so nasty. (DT)

MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA (PG-13, 120 minutes) This movie is everything

you'd expect it to be: beautiful, mesmerizing, tasteful, Japanese. It's just not very hot. (SH)

MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R, 102 minutes) From the first few moments, it's clear what this film will be: a whimsical period piece that, despite some quietly bawdy double-entendres and a lovely performance from the always dignified Dame Judi Dench, can't escape being a bit twee. (AH)

MUNICH (R, 140 minutes) Steven

Spielberg's film focuses on a small Israeli killing team tasked with hunting and destroying the Palestinian Black September planners of the Munich massacre of 1972 across Europe and the Middle East. Give the movie credit for its rigor in facing the depressing problem of vengeance. But the film uses memories of the Munich Olympics massacre. Those events should be more than just fodder for ginning up tension at the end

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of a commercial movie. (SH)

NANNY MCPHEE (PG, 97 minutes) Nanny McPhee is the nanny you hire when all other nannies fail — that's the idea of this movie. If only the film, starring and scripted by Emma Thompson, lived up to its promise. The movie should have been a fabulous romp about authority — the fun, the frisson and the consequences of defying it. Unfortunately, Thompson evokes no such irreverence and energy. (DT)

THE NEW WORLD (PG-13, 135 minutes) This movie attempts to rescue the founding of Jamestown from kitsch. In the beginning, forest creatures — graceful, beautiful, magical — contemplate the stumbling invaders from Olde England.



GOT SCHADENFREUDE? If you enjoy watching the annihilation of the unintelligent, "Final Destination 3" is the film for you.

The Native Americans are amused until it dawns on them that the furry boys mean to stay. Q'orianka plays Pocahontas, Colin Farrell is John Smith. Is it love? Hard to say. The movie's distance from emotional

engagement results in something close to the thin dead line. (SH)

THE PINK PANTHER (PG, 92 minutes) Steve Martin dares to play Inspector Jacques Clouseau, the bumbling French

policeman immortalized by Peter Sellers in Blake Edwards' "Pink Panther" franchise. In this version, most of the humor derives from Martin's silly French accent. But zat joke, she ees not funny. (AH)

PRIDE & PREJUDICE (PG, 128 minutes) In Jane Austen's worldview, leading ladies of beauty and wit weren't shrews and never had to be tamed, but merely loved and respected, and good things would follow. That's the main trajectory of this film, starring Keira Knightley as Elizabeth and Matthew MacFadyen as the initially dour, snotty Mr. Darcy. Knightley takes control of a scene, radiating power and personality unto the rafters. (SH)

THE PRODUCERS (PG-13, 134 minutes) So how good is the movie of the musical of the movie? It's pretty good. It's too long to be great and it's too square to be great and it's too loud to be great and it finds homosexual effeminacy too funny to ever be called great, but no one will come out sadder than they went in. (SH)

SOMETHING NEW (PG-13, 100 minutes) Kenya McQueen (Sanaa Lathan) is an African-American woman who goes on a blind date with a white man

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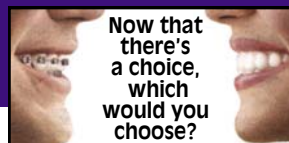
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(Simon Baker). But her girlfriends and family make it clear they're not thrilled about this union, and the closer they get to one another, the more race matters. The fun — and the seriousness — of the movie is in watching a beautiful woman challenge an equal opponent. (DT)

SYRIANA (R, 126 minutes) George Clooney plays CIA operative Bob Barnes, an avuncular career agent who used to know where all the bodies were buried — mainly because he did most of the digging. This is a premium-octane thriller about a society that has become insidiously dependent on oil. (DT)

THE THREE BURIALS OF MELQUIADES ESTRADA (R, 97 minutes) Director Tommy Lee Jones, as rancher Pete Perkins, needs a good man, and Melquiades is the best cowboy he ever knew. Then someone puts a .223 through Melquiades' rib cage and he dies in the dust. This painful, unforgettable film is about whites who learn that immigrants are actually humans. (SH)

UNDERWORLD 2: EVOLUTION (R, 106 minutes) Vampires and werewolves have long, heated exchanges about who killed whose father, who's been imprisoned for centuries and so on. You'll never keep up. Appreciate the special effects and Beckinsale, who's in fine form and body-hugging leather. (DT)

WALK THE LINE (PG-13, 136 minutes) This movie gets off to a promising start, sure to raise goose bumps, at the gates of Folsom Prison in 1968. Unfortunately, for all its good music and admirable vocal impersonations, the movie slides — very, very slowly — downhill from there. (AH)

WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13, 87 minutes) This is Simon West's insipid remake of the 1979 slasher classic that changed the rules for babysitting: The Pepsi's in the fridge, chips are in the cupboard and if the phone rings ominously, the call is coming from inside the house. (AH)



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Marine major speaks about Iraq's progress, the media and his art

LOCAL HEROES | "I'm not a simple character," Benjamin Busch said within moments of meeting him. The actor (currently on HBO's "The Wire") and College Park resident went from art major at Vassar College to Marine Corps major stationed in Iraq's most violent province, Anbar. The photos Busch took during his tour of duty are anything but simple. On exhibit at the University of Maryland–University College through March 3, the images show a highly trained artist's sensibilities and a side of Iraq one won't see on the news.

I've never seen anything like these. This combines an artist's and a Marine's perspectives: You won't see it anywhere else. I think it's very important for anyone interested in the conflict, politics, war or art. I'm hoping that everyone who comes to this show takes away a deeper sense of both Iraq and art, but it's first, to me, about art. You see it in the compositions I chose: Many times



DEFACTO: Remains of wanted posters.

I'm referencing paintings from the Renaissance to the present.

Are you more influenced by painters or photographers? Painters. You can see the influence of Malavich and early Frank Stella here.

Is the media are doing a good job covering the war?

No, terrible. In Ramadi, three reporters came in seven months. We occasionally got TV. in our mess hall: All we heard about for months was the teenager missing in Aruba. It was clear nobody knew what we

were doing if that was the news. That was very upsetting.

Did you see things getting better toward the end of your tour? No. It was always bad. We tried many things, but I don't feel I made a great deal of difference.

Do you think Iraqis and Americans are very different?

The feeling I get from Iraqis is that their thinking is more Bedouin than Western. They think day-to-day.

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GALLERY PLACE STADIUM 14

701 Seventh St NW 800-FANDANGO 1721#

Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
EIGHT BELOW (PG-13) DIG (1245 410) 730 1010
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1215 115 230 340 445) 640 720 900 940 1115 1200
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 435) 725 1005 1235
OC & DA: PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1230)
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (1205 235 505) 735 1010 1230
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 1240 215 310 435 540) 710 810 945 1035 1205
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (255 530) 800 1025
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1235 250 525) 755 1015 1225
A GOOD WOMAN (PG) DIG (1220 240 515) 750 1020
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (1200 225 455) 730 955 1200
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (1225 245 510) 740 1000 1215
MUNICH (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (300) 950
THE BURIAL OF MELQUIADES ESTRADA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 430) 745 1030 1210 700

SYRIANA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210) 700

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12

Glebe Rd, Arlington 800-FANDANGO 377#

Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
SECOND CHANCE (PG-13) DIG (1220 110 320 410) 730 805 1020
EIGHT BELOW (PG-13) DIG (1215 120 315 420) 645 720 945 1030
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1225 115 310 425 520) 715 740 930 1005
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1235 255 515) 725 935
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1230 250 510) 735 1010
THE NEW WORLD (PG-13) DIG (1210)
MATCH POINT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 245) 650 955
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1155 400) 710 1015
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (1205 345) 705 1000
CAPOTE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (305) 655 1025

BOWIE STADIUM 14

15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

EIGHT BELOW (PG-13) DIG (110 415) 720 1015
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (125 225 405 505) 645 745 920 1020 1210
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 410) 715 1005 1245
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 210 400 455) 655 800 930 1035
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (130 420) 730 1010
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (145 435) 700 925 1215
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (140 430) 725 955
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (105 205 345 445) 650 750 925 1025
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (215 500) 735 1000 1230
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (100 425) 710 950
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (120 355) 705 940 1220

BETHESDA 10

7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#

EIGHT BELOW (PG-13) DIG (1250 355) 720 1005
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (100 315) 700 940
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1255 340) 715 955
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (105 345) 710 1005
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (125 405) 725 1015
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (110 325) 730 950
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (115 350) 655 925
MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (120 400) 735 1000

SYRIANA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 330) 645 935
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (1240 335) 705 1010

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16

3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#

Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (120 150 410 440) 700 730 945 1020
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1205 1240 230 300 450 520) 710 740 925 955 1135
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1150 220 455) 720 940 1200
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1245 305 525) 745 1005
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1250 310 530 810) 1030
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 430) 725 1010
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (155 420) 650 915 1140
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (1200 235 510)
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (1155 225 500) 755 1025
UNDERWORLD EVOLUTION (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (245) 750
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1145 1215 210 240 435 505) 705 735 930 1000 1155
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (1140 1210 215 445 515) 715 1005 1035
MUNICH (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 800 1130
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (1235 340) 645 950

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20

45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#

EIGHT BELOW - DIGITAL PROJECTION (PG) DIG (120 420) 720 1020
EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1140 1220 220 320 520) 620 820 920
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1145 1210 210 310 450 550) 730 830 1000 1040
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 445) 745 1025
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (1150 150 250 430 530) 740 840 1010
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 200 300 440 540) 750 850 1030
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1200 130 230 410 510) 710 810 950
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1130 1245 145 315 415) 700 930
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1155 240 500) 800 1035
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG 650 910
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (1230 330) 630 900
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (110 350) 655 915
HOODWINKED (PG) DIG (1135 140 400)
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1250 345) 715 1015
CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) DIG (1240 340) 640 940
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG 645 945

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10

4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#

FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 430) 720 1005
TRANSAMERICA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (135 420) 740 1010
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (125 340) 715 930
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 200 330 415) 645 730 920 955
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 700 1000
CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) DIG (110 410) 710
THE WORLD'S FASTEST INDIAN (PG-13) DIG (120 425) 725 1020
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (150 440) 705 950
MATCH POINT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (105 350) 655 940
MATADOR (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 1015

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14

20000 Century Blvd 800-FANDANGO 455#

EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1245 145 345 445) 700 745 1000 1100
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1205 130 230 400 450) 710 750 940 1020 1200
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 410) 720 1015
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 740 1020
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1220 230 500) 730 950 1220
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1215 115 245 350 510) 715 745 955 1015 1210
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1200 1230 220 300 440 515) 700 740 930 1010
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1210 250 520) 800 1025
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG 655 950 1220
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (1250 340)
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (110 355) 650 930 1210

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14

9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1230 130 345 430) 645 730 930 1015
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (200 500) 745 1010
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 345) 715 1000
OC: FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (100)
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (345) 715 950
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 500) 800 1015
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1230 130 330 430) 645 730 930 1010
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (145 415) 700 940
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (115 445) 745 1005
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (115 400) 700 940 200 515
HOODWINKED (PG) DIG 815
MUNICH (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 800
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 400)
CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) DIG (100 445) 815
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG

ROCKVILLE CENTER STADIUM 13

Rockville Town Center 800-FANDANGO 248#
Free Theatre Parking- Monroe Street Garage
Weeknights after 6 PM- all day Saturday/Sunday

Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1235 100 340 440) 715 745 1005 1030
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1220 240 515) 735 1000 1220
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 435) 720 1005 1230
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (1200 230 505) 755 1035
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 220 445) 750 1015 1235
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1205 235 500) 730 1000
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1210 245 510) 740 1010 1225
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1215 230 450) 710 945 1210
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (1250 430) 705 940 1215
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (1200 225 455) 725 955 1225
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 335) 655 955
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (1225 330) 650 950

MANASSAS STADIUM 14

11880 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1135 1215 235 310) 650 720 930 1000
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1230 100 250 310 455) 710 745 940 1015
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1155 230) 725 1010
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (105 335) 700 1020
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 400) 800 1025
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1210 1240 225 255 450) 705 730 920 950
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1130 1200 200 240 410) 735 955
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1235 245 500) 750 1030
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) DIG (1150 215 435) 655
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (1255 325) 715 935
END OF THE SPEAR (PG-13) DIG 915
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG 645 945

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Adv. Tix on Sale ROLLING STONES (NR) ★
EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1235 100 340 440) 715 745 1005 1030
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1220 240 515) 735 1000 1220
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 435) 720 1005 1230
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (1200 230 505) 755 1035
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 220 445) 750 1015 1235
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1205 235 500) 730 1000
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1210 245 510) 740 1010 1225
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) DIG (1215 230 450) 710 945 1210
SOMETHING NEW (PG-13) DIG (1250 430) 705 940 1215
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) DIG (1200 225 455) 725 955 1225
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 335) 655 955
WALK THE LINE (PG-13) DIG (1225 330) 650 950

MANASSAS STADIUM 14

11880 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

EIGHT BELOW (PG) DIG (1135 1215 235 310) 650 720 930 1000
DATE MOVIE (PG-13) DIG (1230 100 250 310 455) 710 745 940 1015
FREEDOMLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1155 230) 725 1010
FIREWALL (PG-13) DIG (105 335) 700 1020
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 400) 800 1025
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) DIG (1210 1240 225 255 450) 705 730 920 950
CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (1130 1200 200 240 410) 735 955
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (

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AMC HOFFMANN CENTER 22
Eisenhower Ave and Telegraph Road in Alexandria
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DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 2:00, 3:15, 4:25, 5:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15, 10:15, 11:30, 12:30
EIGHT BELOW (PG) ✓ 12:40, 1:45, 3:45, 4:30, 6:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:30, 12:15
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 12:10, 1:10, 2:55, 4:10, 5:45, 7:10, 8:30, 10:10, 11:15
CURIOS GEORGE (G) ✓ 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:20
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 12:15, 1:15, 2:35, 3:35, 4:55, 5:55, 7:20, 8:25, 10:00, 11:00, 12:20
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:05, 5:30, 6:35, 8:00, 9:05, 10:30, 11:40
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 1:30, 4:05, 6:35, 9:05, 11:40
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 12:45, 1:35, 3:10, 4:20, 5:40, 6:40, 8:15, 9:10, 10:45, 11:45
MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 12:05, 2:40, 5:20, 7:55, 10:25
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 2:05, 4:35, 7:05, 9:45, 12:10
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 12:25, 2:45, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50, 12:05
ANNAPOLIS (PG13) 5:25, 7:55, 10:20
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 12:35, 3:05, 5:35, 8:05, 10:35
IMAGINE ME & YOU (R) ✓ 6:55, 9:35, 12:15
THE MATADOR (R) 7:50, 10:20
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 12:20, 2:50, 5:20
UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION (R) 2:10, 4:50, 7:40, 10:15
HOODWINKED (PG) 12:05, 2:20, 4:40
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 1:05, 4:15, 7:15, 10:25
CAPOTE (R) 12:00, 2:45

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10
Loisdale and Franconia Road
703-971-3991

DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15
EIGHT BELOW (PG) ✓ 1:00, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 1:10, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15
CURIOS GEORGE (G) ✓ 12:45, 2:50, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 12:30, 3:00, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 7:30, 10:00
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 1:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:30
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:30
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 1:15, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10

AMC MAZZA GALLERY
Jennifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

EIGHT BELOW (PG) ✓ 1:30, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 12:00, 2:20, 4:40, 7:40, 9:55
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:15
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 12:30, 2:55, 5:20, 7:45, 10:05
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) ✓ 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40
MATCH POINT (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441 821

DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 3:35, 5:40, 7:50, 10:00, 12:00
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40, 12:15
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45, 12:05
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 1:50, 4:25, 7:20, 9:50, 12:20
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 12:00, 2:20, 4:35, 7:10, 9:25, 11:40
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30, 11:55
ANNAPOLIS (PG13) 2:10, 8:00
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 8:10, 10:30
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) ✓ 12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 8:10, 10:30
THE MATADOR (R) 12:20, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35, 9:55, 12:10
MATCH POINT (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 10:10
THE NEW WORLD (PG13) 4:55, 10:35
MUNCH (R) 12:30, 3:55, 7:25, 10:55
MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA (PG13) 1:00, 4:15, 7:45, 10:50
SYRIANA (R) 1:55, 4:50, 7:55, 10:45
WALK THE LINE (PG13) 1:30, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6
4000 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
202-244-0882 714

DATE MOVIE (PG13) 2:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:25
FREEDOMLAND (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30
CURIOS GEORGE (G) 2:00, 4:20, 6:40, 9:00
FIREWALL (PG13) 1:50, 4:15, 6:50, 9:20
MUNCH (R) 4:45, 8:10
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 2:40, 6:20, 9:10
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) 1:40

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
310-423-1014 741

FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 2:00, 4:30, 7:05, 9:40
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 2:15, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 2:10, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30
MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 2:00, 4:35, 7:00, 9:35
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 2:45, 6:15, 9:10

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 1:20, 2:40, 3:30, 5:00, 5:50, 7:10, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30
EIGHT BELOW (PG) ✓ 12:50, 1:50, 3:50, 4:40, 6:40, 7:30, 9:30, 10:15
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 1:10, 2:30, 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 8:10, 9:55, 10:55
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 2:30, 5:20, 8:10, 10:55
CURIOS GEORGE (G) ✓ 2:20, 4:50, 7:00, 9:00
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 1:00, 3:10, 5:45, 8:20, 10:45
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 2:10, 5:05, 7:40, 10:10
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 12:45, 3:00, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 2:30, 5:15, 7:50, 10:20
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 1:30, 3:40, 6:00, 8:30, 10:50
ANNAPOLIS (PG13) 12:40, 3:20, 5:40, 8:15, 10:40
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 12:35, 2:50, 5:25, 8:10, 10:35
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40
UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION (R) 2:15, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05
GLORY ROAD (PG) 4:30, 10:25
HOODWINKED (PG) 2:00
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 4:10, 7:25, 10:40
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) 1:05, 7:20

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12
Exit 4A I-95, 1/2 mi. on Oxon Hill Rd.
703-998-4AMC

DATE MOVIE (PG13) 1:50, 3:10, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10
EIGHT BELOW (PG) 12:00, 4:10, 7:30, 10:10
FREEDOMLAND (R) 12:30, 1:30, 3:10, 4:30, 5:50, 7:40, 8:30, 10:30, 11:00
CURIOS GEORGE (G) 1:10, 3:20, 5:40, 8:10, 10:20
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) 1:00, 3:20, 5:50, 8:20, 10:45
FIREWALL (PG13) 1:10, 5:10, 8:10, 10:30
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 12:30, 2:50, 5:40, 8:20, 10:40
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 8:00, 10:20
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 1:30, 4:20, 7:30, 10:00
LAST HOLIDAY (PG13) 1:20, 4:40, 7:50, 10:45

AMC UNION STATION 9
Located at Union Station
703-998-4AMC

DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 2:00, 4:15, 7:05, 9:15, 11:00
EIGHT BELOW (PG) ✓ 1:30, 4:30, 7:35, 10:15
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30
CURIOS GEORGE (G) ✓ 12:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45
FINAL DESTINATION 3 (R) ✓ 1:05, 3:20, 5:35, 7:50, 10:00
FIREWALL (PG13) ✓ 1:15, 3:45, 7:00, 9:30
SOMETHING NEW (PG13) 8:00, 10:25
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) ✓ 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 1:20, 3:50, 7:05, 9:35
HOODWINKED (PG) 1:10, 3:30, 5:50

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6
Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
703-998-4AMC

DATE MOVIE (PG13) ✓ 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
FREEDOMLAND (R) ✓ 4:15, 7:30, 10:05
CURIOS GEORGE (G) ✓ 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) ✓ 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG13) 4:15, 7:30, 10:05
BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG13) 7:15
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 4:45, 9:45

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
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LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 2:00, 5:00, 7:20, 9:30
THE THREE BURIALS OF MELQUIADES ESTRADA (R) 1:10, 3:40, 6:20, 9:10
TRISTRAM SHANDY: A COCK AND BULL STORY (R) 1:20, 4:40, 6:50, 9:20
MATCH POINT (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
WHY WE FIGHT (PG13) 1:40, 4:20, 6:30, 9:00
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40
GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK (PG) 1:50
CAPOTE (R) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00

LOEWS DUPONT 5
1350 19th St.
202-872-9555 711

MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 9:50
MANDERLAY (NR-NOT RATED) 1:15, 4:20, 7:20, 10:10
WHY WE FIGHT (PG13) 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:05
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AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

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THE MATADOR (R) 4:45, 7:20, 9:50
NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 12:25, 2:50, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10
UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION (R) 8:00, 10:40
HOODWINKED (PG) 12:15, 2:30
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 1:00, 4:15, 7:25, 10:25
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) 1:25, 4:35

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

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THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) 1:25, 7:10

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

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UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION (R) 10:10 PM
MUNCH (R) 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:30
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA (PG) 1:00, 4:10, 7:10
GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK (PG) 12:30, 2:50, 5:20, 7:40, 10:15

AMC ACADEMY 8
Beltway Plaza on Greenbelt Rd., Center Court
703-998-4AMC

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LOEWS WHEATON PLAZA 11
Viers Mill Rd. Btwn. Georgia & University
901-949-9202 746

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LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8
8065 Leesburg Pike
703-508-9857 802

MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 2:40, 5:20, 8:10, 10:15
IMAGINE ME & YOU (R) 4:30, 10:10
MATCH POINT (R) 2:05, 4:45, 7:35, 10:05
TRANSAMERICA (R) 2:20, 4:40, 7:30, 9:45
MUNCH (R) 1:40, 5:10, 8:30
MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA (PG13) 1:50, 5:00, 8:20
WALK THE LINE (PG13) 1:40, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05
GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK (PG) 2:00, 4:10, 7:15, 9:30
CAPOTE (R) 2:10, 7:40

LOEWS UPTOWN 1
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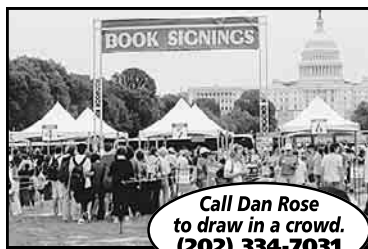
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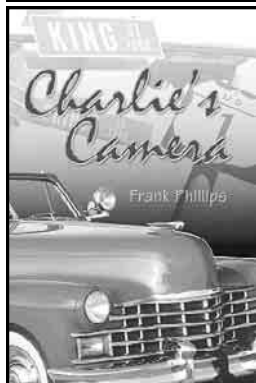
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DR. FEELGOOD: T.R. Knight plays George as an everyman who performs surgeries.

Nice Guys Finish First

**So long, McDreamy;
 Dr. O'Malley is the
 'Grey's Anatomy' hunk**

Q&A | T.R. Knight co-stars on "Grey's Anatomy" as puppy-eyed Dr. George O'Malley, one of a team of sexy, multicultural surgeons on the hit ABC series. George harbors an unrequited love for Dr. Meredith Grey (Ellen Pompeo), who pines for Dr. Derrick "McDreamy" Shepherd (Patrick Dempsey). The 32-year-old Minnesota native talked about success, character dynamics and that steamy shower scene.

Why do you think the show is a hit?

You have a really — excluding myself — fascinating group of actors who are all very different from each other. You've got really good writing and I really like the point of view of our creator, Shonda [Rhimes].

Tell us about that scene where you fantasized about showering with your female colleagues.

I love that. I think it was a great, great way to bring people into the show. But it also made sense because

the last episode you left it, George was in bed with Izzie and Meredith. So he's got a lot of frustrations.

Was it fun to film?

Oh, it was a blast! You know, everyone's really covered up. You get body makeup and so someone's spreading body makeup on you.

So why doesn't Meredith hook up with George already? Come on.

I don't know! It's very interesting, because it's getting to a point now where George really needs to, like, [get] off the pot already.

Well, a lot of fans are pulling for him.

I definitely identify with some of the things, so it's nice to know that other people do too. Everyone has their things where they think it's going to be all golden, and right before their eyes it just turns to dirt. You know what I mean?

Do you have luck with the ladies?

I have ladies and ladies and ladies and ladies. No, I'm pretty much with the show. You can't even have a pet. The pet would be dead.

ERIN CARLSON (AP)

TOGETHERNESS: Fox's latest reality game show has a diabolical premise: Nine strangers are locked in a bunker while they figure out who's worthy of the dough; the longer they take, the less money there will be. That's why they call it "Unanimous." Evil! It debuts in March.



Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

KINKY TALES

What happens when an offbeat singer-songwriter-novelist runs for governor? **GO KINKY** (Fri., 11 p.m., CMT) presents a whimsical documentary about singer Kinky Friedman's quixotic quest for the Texas governor's mansion.

XENA, WARRIOR HOUSE WHIP?

The issue of life takes center stage in the presidential campaign on **BATTLESTAR GALACTICA** (Fri., 10 p.m., Sci Fi). John Heard guest stars. Lucy Lawless will appear in 10 episodes of "Battlestar" when it enters its third season.

CRAP FROM THE PAST

The most popular and peculiar Internet clips, videos and e-mailed ephemera enjoy their nanosecond of fame on **WEB JUNK 20** (Fri., 11:30 p.m., VH1), hosted by

comic Patrice O'Neal.

CODE 'BLUE/ORANGE'

Fans of "House" should enjoy **BLUE/ORANGE** (Sat., 6 p.m., BBC America), a provocative movie adaptation of an acclaimed British stage drama making its American TV debut. This film involves nonstop arguing about a medical diagno-



UNLOCKING THE BODY: The doctors (with patient) of "Blue/Orange."

sis that reveals as much about the doctors as the patient.

GO WITH THE FLOW

Viewers can catch up with the first six episodes of the heist drama **HUSTLE** (Sat., beginning at 4 p.m., AMC). A new episode (10 p.m.) follows this marathon.

SAINT RONNIE

The new biography series **TRUE GRIT** (Sat., 9 p.m., CMT) kicks off with a profile of Ronald Reagan that sets a whole new standard for uncritical hero-worship.

HIDE YOUR CHAIRS — AND YOUR BASKETBALL PLAYERS

Some consider Bobby Knight one of the greatest basketball coaches ever. Others see him as an abusive chair-hurling maniac representing sports at its worst. Now he's the star of his own sports reality series **KNIGHT SCHOOL** (Sun., 10 p.m., ESPN). Knight serves as the Simon Cowell of the hardwood, judg-

ing 16 basketball amateurs from Texas Tech trying out for a walk-on position with the team.

GET OFF MY DECK, BAMBI!

NATURE (Sun., 8 p.m., PBS) follows up one of its most popular shows, the 2000 "Animals Behaving Badly," with the new special "Animals Behaving Worse." This whimsical hour offers funny true stories about the awkward intersection of wild animals with the human residents of sprawling suburbs.

ACTING STRANGE

Set in a Shakespearean theater company, the Canadian comedy/soap opera **SLINGS & ARROWS** (Sun., 8 p.m., Sundance) enters its second season.

WHAT WINE GOES WITH DESPAIR? Bree's battle with the bottle on **DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES** (9 p.m., ABC).

CULT CHOICE

William Miller stars in the 2004 shock-



'BATTLESTAR' PRESIDENTIA: Apollo and Starbuck rock their votes.

er **ROTTWEILER** (Sat., 8 p.m., Sci Fi) about a robotic pooch that mauls everyone in his path. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

24/7	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
WRC 4	News		NBC Nightly News	Olympic Zone	XX Olympic Winter Games (iTV) (Same-day Tape)							News
WTTG 5	Seinfeld	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Seinfeld	Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy	"Perrin/Fisher"			News	Geraldo at Large	Friends	
WJLA 7	News	ABC Wild News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dancing With the Stars	"The Results"	In Justice	"The Public Burning"	20/20	News	(35) Nightline	
WUSA 9	News	CBS News	9News Tonight	Ent. Tonight	Ghost Whisperer	"Mended Hearts"	Close to Home	"Parents on Trial"	NUMB3RS	"Convergence"	News	Late Show
WDCA 20	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Friends	Every- Raymond	WWE Friday Night SmackDown!	(N) (DVS)			The Tyra Banks Show	Kathy Griffin	Girlfriends	Girlfriends
WMPT 22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	(N) Business Rpt.	State Circle	Mystery!	"Inspector Lynley Mysteries"	(N) (DVS)	Keeping Up		NOW		Washington Week	Bruce Springsteen
WETA 26	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	(N) Evening Exch	To the Contrary	History Detectives			BBC World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose	(N) (DVS)
WHUT 32	White House	Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Moneywise	Evening Exch	To the Contrary	History Detectives		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose	(N) (DVS)
WBDC 39	Steve Harvey	The Parkers	My Wife and Kids	Bernie Mac	What I Like	Living With Fran	Reba	(N) (DVS)	Twins	(N) (DVS)	Bernie Mac	My Wife and Kids
												Sex and the City
												Will & Grace
A&E	American Justice		American Justice		Biography	"The Brady Bunch" Remembering	"The Brady Bunch"		Biography	William Shatner	American Justice	Carrie Culberson
Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries		The Most Extreme	"Daredevils"	The Planet's Funniest Animals		AKC National Agility Championship		Animal Cops	Detroit	The Planet's Funniest Animals	
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live				BET.com Count				Comicview		In Living Color	In Living Color
Bravo	Inside the Actors Studio	"Dave Chappelle" Dave Chappelle										
Comedy	(5:00) ★★ "King Ralph" (1991)		Com.-Presents	Reno 911		Daily Show	Colbert Report	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	South Park
Court	Hollywood Heat	Masterminds	Cops	Cops		The Investigators		Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Dominick Dunne: Power, Privilege
Discovery	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	The FBI Files	"Deadly Stranger"		The FBI Files	"Hired Gun"		The FBI Files	Escaped bank-robber	A Haunting	Springfield, Ill.
DISCH	Paramedics	"True Believers"	Trauma: Life in the ER	"Last Stand"		Trauma: Life in the ER		Dr. G: Medical Examiner		Skeleton Stones	"Groundswell"	Trauma: Life in the ER
Disney	Sister, Sister	Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven		"Twitches" (2005, Fantasy)	Tia Mowry, Reunited twins use magic against evil.		Phil of the Future	Sister, Sister	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven
E!	Supermodels	Girls Gone Bad	E! News	E! News		Number 1 Single	Number 1 Single	Kate Moss-True H'wood	The Soup	(N) Girl Next Door	Saturday Night Live	
FX	King of the Hill	King of the Hill	That '70s Show	That '70s Show		That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	The Shield "Rap Payback"
HGTV	Renovation	Wknd Warriors	Curb Appeal	House Hunters		HGTV's Dream Home 2006	Double Take	FreeStyle	House Hunters	House Hunters	Debbie Travis' Facelift	
Family	7th Heaven		Smallville	"Forsaken"		★★★ "Under the Tuscan Sun" (2003) Diane Lane, Sandra Oh			Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club	
History	Mysteries: Ancient Monster Hunters		Modern Marvels: Future Tech		Erney's Vietnam	R. Lee Erney returns to Vietnam			Heroes Under Fire	Viet Cong invasion	High Hitler	
Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	"Crimes of Passion" (2005, Suspense)	Jonathan Higgins, Dina Meyer		"Deception" (2003, Suspense)	Dina Meyer, Steve Bacic, Gary Hudson		Will & Grace		Will & Grace	
MTV	Parental Control	Room Raiders	Jay-Z and Nas	R. Wld Chal.		Parental Control	Parental Control	Fat Camp	Healthy lifestyle			
NICK	All Grown Up	Danny Phantom	SpongeBob	Catcratch	(N) Avatar: Last Air	The X's	(N) Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom	Full House	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
SCI FI	Stargate SG-1	"Revisions"	John Doe	"John Deux"	Stargate SG-1	"The Scourge"	(N) Stargate Atlantis	"Coup D'Etat"	(N) Battlestar Galactica	(N) Stargate SG-1	"The Scourge"	
SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		★★★ "The Shawshank Redemption"	(1994) Tim Robbins, Innocent man goes to a Maine prison for life in 1947				
TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Every- Raymond	Every- Raymond	Friends	Friends	★★★ "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"	(1987, Comedy) Steve Martin		(10) ★★ "Turner & Hooch"	(1989)	
TLC	Martha and Bill Hemmer	(N) What Not to Wear	Wild Weddings	"Wacky Weddings"	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear
TNT	Charmed	"Charmmed"	Law & Order	"Bad Girl"	Law & Order	"Narcosis"	NBA Basketball	T-Mobile Rookie Challenge	(Live) Monk	"Mr. Monk and Little Monk"	House	"Fidelity"
USA	Olympic Ice	(N) The Flavor of Love	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	"Faith"	The Flavor of Love		The Flavor of Love		The Flavor of Love		Best Week Ever	Web Junk 20
VH1	Top 20 Countdown	(N) Sala de Parejas	Noti-Telemundo	La Tormenta	El Cuerpo del Deseo	Corazón Partido	Decisiones	Decisiones	Decisiones	Noti-Telemundo	Titulares y Mas	
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AMC	"The Man With the Golden Gun"	'PG' Hustle			★★★ "You Only Live Twice"	(1967, Action) Sean Connery, Akiko Wakabayashi	'PG' ★★ "For Your Eyes Only"	(1981) Roger Moore	'PG'			
TCM	(5:45) ★★ "Going My Way"	(1944, Musical) Bing Crosby, 'NR' ★★ "The Quiet Man"	(1952, Drama) John Wayne, 'NR' (DVS)		(15) ★★ "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon"	(1949, Western) John Wayne, 'NR'						
HBO	(15) ★★ "Fat Albert"	(2004, Comedy) Kenan Thompson, 'PG' ★★ "I, Robot"	(2004, Science Fiction) Will Smith, 'PG-13' (15) ★★ "Eight Legged Freaks"	(2002) David Arquette, 'PG-13' ★★ "Walking Tall"	(2004) The Rock, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"	(2004) Dennis Quaid, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Day After Tomorrow"
MAX	The Exorcist	'R' ★★ "King's Ransom"	(2005) Anthony Anderson, 'PG-13' ★★ "Paycheck"	(2003, Science Fiction) Ben Affleck, iTV, 'PG-13' ★★ "The Prophecy II"	(1998) Christopher Walken, 'R' ★★ "The Pacifier"	(2005) Vin Diesel, 'PG' (45) ★★ "The Accidental Spy"	(2001) Jackie Chan, 'PG' (15) ★★ "Porky's"	(1981) 'R'				
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TMC	(4:45) Captain Ron	"The Cactus Kid"	(2000) Thomas Curtis, 'NR' ★★ "Scary Movie 3"	(2003) Anna Faris, 'PG-13' ★★ "Eli"	(2003, Comedy) Will Ferrell, 'PG' (45) ★★ "The Accidental Spy"	(2001) Jackie Chan, 'PG' (15) ★★ "Porky's"	(1981) 'R'					
STARZ!	★★★ "Hot Shots! Part Deux"	(1993) Charlie Sheen, ★★ "Scary Movie 3"	(2003) Anna Faris, 'PG-13' ★★ "Eli"	(2003, Comedy) Will Ferrell, 'PG' (45) ★★ "The Accidental Spy"	(2001) Jackie Chan, 'PG' (15) ★★ "Porky's"	(1981) 'R'						
ENCORE	(15) ★★ "Blank Check"	(1994, Comedy) Brian Bonnell, 'PG' ★★ "Eli"	(2003, Comedy) Will Ferrell, 'PG' (45) ★★ "The Accidental Spy"	(2001) Jackie Chan, 'PG' (15) ★★ "Porky's"	(1981) 'R'							

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Eastern Shore town weighs how much growth is too much

On spongy land near a muddy river on Maryland's Eastern Shore lie a thousand vacant acres and a battle that begs this question: How many people should live on the Chesapeake Bay?

If the city of Cambridge has its way, a new residential golf course development overlooking the Little Blackwater River will lure about 10,000 new residents — nearly doubling the city's population — over the next 15 years. For Cambridge leaders, Blackwater Resort means needed tax revenue and new life for a hard-luck area that hasn't grown much in three decades.

But the view from across the bay, at the headquarters of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, is entirely different. Environmentalists there see an outsized development to be built upriver from a wildlife refuge considered a national treasure, adding more sewage and polluted runoff to an already unhealthy bay.

The foundation has launched a campaign, drawing thousands of signatures, letters and e-mails from as far up the Chesapeake watershed as New York, to urge Maryland Gov. Robert L. Ehrlich Jr. (R) to stop the project, which has gained a number of key approvals. The fray has spawned at least two slow-growth bills in the state legislature, even as development plans inch forward.

The fight, both sides say, hinges on the difference between how

many new residents are good for Cambridge and how many are good for the bay.

"The population increases by about a million every 10 years. Is that fast, is that slow, is that good, is that bad? I don't know," said Lee Epstein, who studies growth issues at the nonprofit bay foundation. "We already may be at the place where the



UNDEVELOPED: Ronald Edgar helps grandson Tyler with his gloves. Edgar opposes a plan to build a housing complex across the Little Blackwater River from his farm.

Sunday in The Washington Post



Rock the Torah

Hasidic reggae singer Matisyahu wants a mainstream audience — and the entertainment industry is listening | *Arts*

Target: Your PC

Behind the scenes with hackers as they explain how they exploit security holes to steal your secrets | *Magazine*

Building By the Bay

bay can't take too many more people."

For three decades, Dorchester County watched the commuters and the summer people spread wealth to the counties around them. Then, slowly, modest salvation came in the form of a new Hyatt conference center, a couple of subdivisions — and plans for Blackwater Resort Communities, a 3,200-unit project

that promises to boost the tax base by as much as \$1 billion. In 2004, the city annexed a 1,080-acre farm along the Little Blackwater River for the project, which has won several rounds of city and county approval.

"In 1960, the city of Cambridge

had 12,500 people. Forty years later, that population had dwindled to below 11,000," said Cambridge Mayor Cleveland L. Rippons. "Now, how do you know that you've got too much growth?" ELIZABETH WILLIAMSON

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

Foot soldiers: An attorney for developers blasts "Birkenstock knuckleheads" who seek to derail the Cambridge project. | Full story in Sunday's Washington Post

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History

Pursuing Booth

JAMES L. SWANSON, author of "Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer," was online Tuesday to discuss the historical thriller which recreates an hour-by-hour account of the search for John Wilkes Booth. | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

What documents survive that provide for an hour-by-hour account of the manhunt for Lincoln's assassin?

The major sources are trial transcripts, letters from the participants, period newspapers, legal affidavits, pamphlets, magazine articles and books, many of them written by participants in the drama of the assassination and the manhunt. In addition, I consulted over 20 rolls of microfilm, thousands of pages, from the National Archives.

A high school friend of mine was a descendant of the infamous Dr. Mudd. I wonder if your research turned up any new insight on his guilt/innocence.

I devote a lot of the book to exploring the myths and the truth about Dr. Samuel Mudd. He was not the innocent country physician he claimed to be. Mudd claimed that he had never met Booth before and that he did not recognize him on the night of the assassination when Booth came to his door for medical treatment.

In fact, they had met on sev-

eral prior occasions. Booth had spent a night in Dr. Mudd's home, and Confederate agents had given Mudd's name to Booth. Mudd was lucky that he was not hanged for his role in helping the assassin.

I am convinced that Mudd was part of Booth's earlier plot to kidnap Abraham Lincoln.

Are there any examples in your book about manhunters who lost the trail and created havoc in unsuspecting and innocent lives?

Yes. Many men were arrested because they looked like Booth. Some were imprisoned for days. Many innocent people, including the Ford brothers who owned the theater, were imprisoned for weeks. All told, more than 100 innocent people were arrested during the manhunt, and one of them was actually convicted of being one of Booth's conspirators.

→ Today on Live Online

1:30 P.M.: Washington Post staff writer Tarik El-Bashir fields questions and comments about Daytona's Speedweek.

Letters

Montgomery Co.'s Crime

DOUG DUNCAN [the Montgomery County, Md., executive] seems pre-occupied with auditing Baltimore's crime statistics. But any visitor to that city can speak to its improvement in recent years under Mayor Martin O'Malley. Speaking of audits, as a Montgomery County resident, I'd like Mr. Duncan to authorize audits of the county's own rising crime. Since moving back to Montgomery County from Baltimore, I've read about high school kids being stabbed at football games and a growing gang culture. Instead of publicly questioning O'Malley, maybe he should

ask him for some advice.

—THAD ELLERBE
Takoma Park, Md.

Schaefer Out of Line

WOW, GOV. ERLICH'S AIDE should indeed be happy that Md. State Comptroller William Schaefer was ogling her [behind]. I mean, who wouldn't feel a thrill at having an octogenarian, myopic old crab demand that she leave a room twice so he can get a better view? It's every girl's dream!

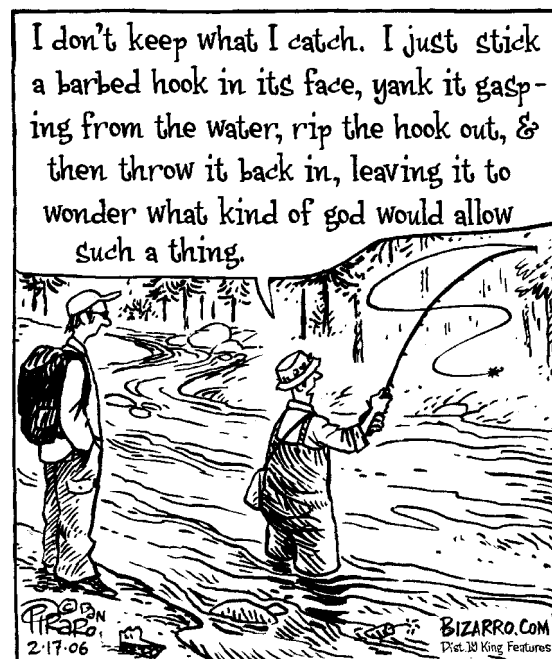
—CINDY STAUDT
Rockville, Md.

Correction:

Thursday's Express incorrectly reported the number of three-pointers Duke's J.J. Redick has made in his four-year college career. As of Wednesday night, it was 416.

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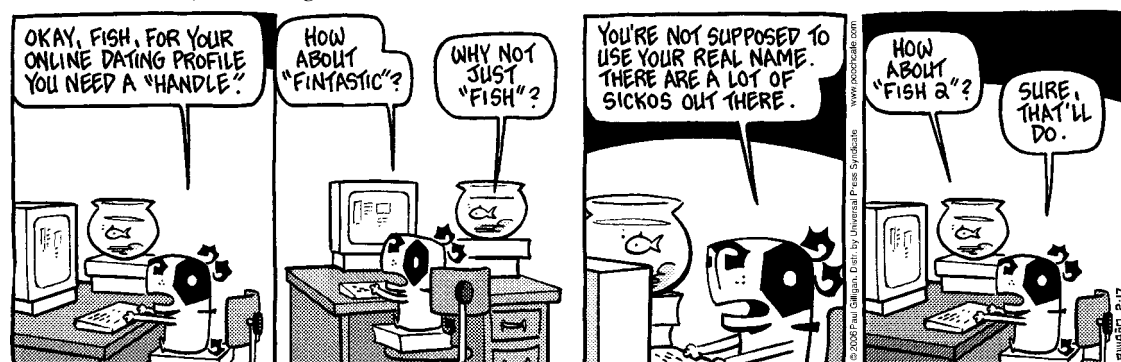
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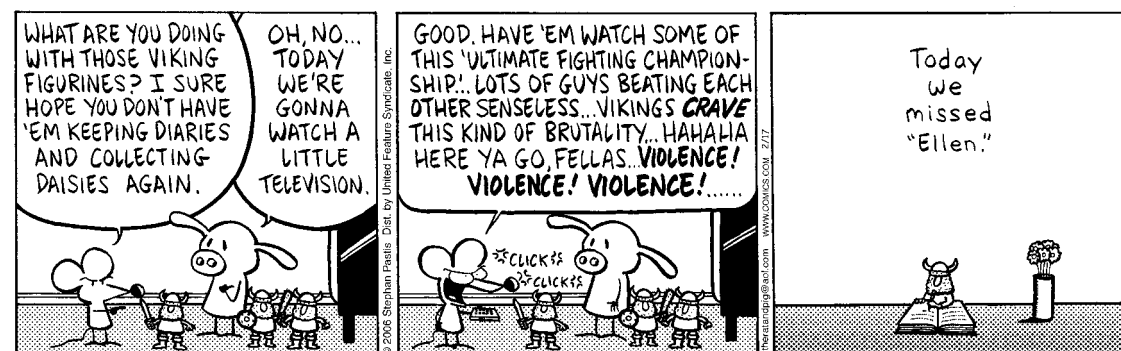
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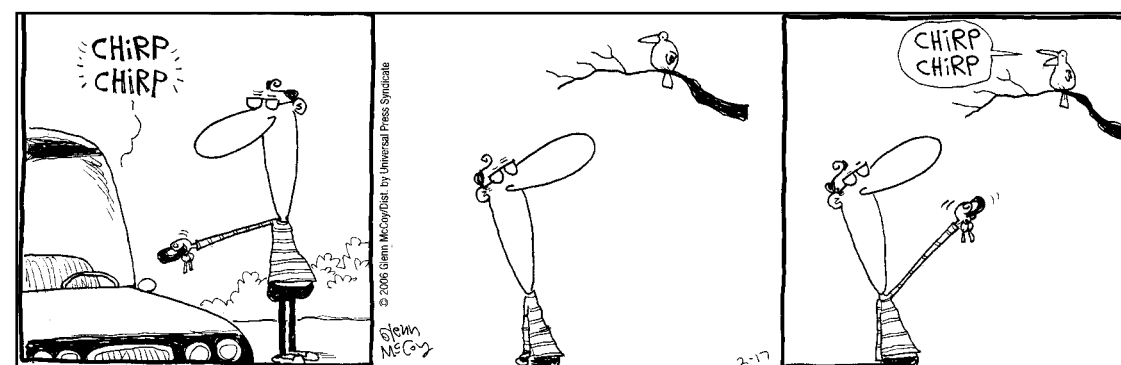
Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan



Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis



The Duplex | Glenn McCoy





HUNTING PROTOCOL

Apparently the lawyer was standing right in the sun. If that is the case, Cheney couldn't see squat. Advantage? Lawyer's fault 60%, Cheney 40%."

THE VP-VICTIM BLAME-O-METER IS ADJUSTED BY THEPARSONSFIFTH.COM.

THE Blog LOG

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CHUTRY.WORDHERDERS.NET, ON FRANK MILLER'S UPCOMING GRAPHIC NOVEL IN WHICH BATMAN TAKES ON AL QAEDA.

Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) This is a good day to get back in the spirit of something wholly traditional. You can make others happy, and learn something about yourself, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You are on the verge of uncovering the truth—but you may not be happy with what is revealed. Be prepared for a quick about-face.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You are striving to be the best that you can be, and before long you may discover that you can truly be the leader of the pack.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have to take an unusual and possibly controversial approach to a routine problem. Timing is everything; don't be hasty.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may stumble across something that could prove pivotal in future decisions. Your options may be limited just now.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An unexpected

ed visitor may interrupt your routine, but what you gain from the encounter is certainly worth it. Make yourself available.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There are certain things you don't want to reveal, despite another's attempts to get you to open up. Stick to your guns.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may have to take a major risk to gain what has been just out of reach for a while. The decision is all yours.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may receive a tip that you can't afford to ignore. Explore all possibilities on your own—but use caution, certainly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Don't say or do anything that could be misinterpreted. You can be sure someone is watching you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Pay attention to all that goes on around you all day long, and you'll be that much better equipped to face a challenge tomorrow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone is waiting for you to give him or her some essential information, and be sure that you are in the right place and on time.

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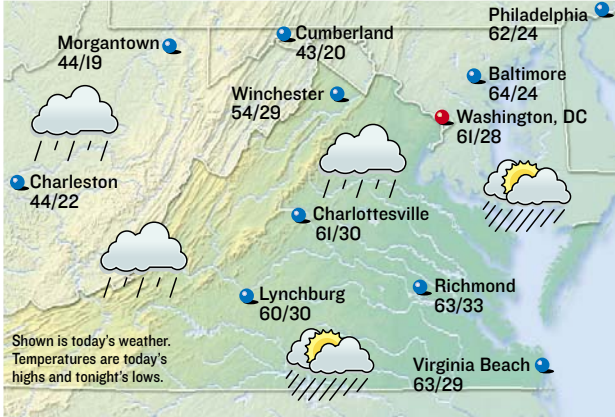


DON'T have a heart attack. Heart attacks just don't happen to Polish-sausage-pounding, beer-bellied Midwestern guys — women get them too. National Women's Heart Day events at the MCI Center from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Friday offer free screenings, seminars, cooking tips and more.

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today Very windy, morning rain showers 61°	Tonight Partly cloudy, windy, much colder 28°	Saturday Variably cloudy, windy, colder 38° / 17°	Sunday Mostly sunny, very cold 34° / 19°	Monday Snow or flurries, cold 34° / 24°	Tuesday Partly sunny 43° / 30°
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Regional Weather



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High 66°
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Normal low 30°
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Normal month to date 1.45"
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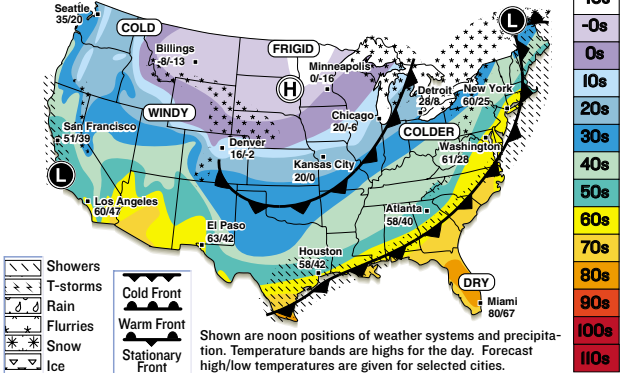
D.C. Metro: Today, very windy, morning rain showers, partly sunny later. High 61. Wind west-northwest 20-40 mph. Tonight, much colder. Low 28.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:57 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:48 p.m.
Moonrise today 10:14 p.m.
Moonset today 8:53 a.m.



National Weather for Friday, February 17



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	58/40/sh	48/30/r
Boston	56/24/r	28/10/pc
Chicago	20/-6/sf	12/2/pc
Dallas	41/31/r	33/27/sn
Denver	16/-2/sf	25/8/sf
Honolulu	80/66/sh	81/68/sh
Los Angeles	60/47/pc	58/45/sh
Miami	80/67/pc	82/64/s
New York City	60/25/r	32/17/pc
Orlando	80/58/pc	80/58/s
Seattle	35/20/s	40/24/s

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	46/41/sh	43/37/sh
Athens	61/52/c	63/53/pc
Berlin	38/30/sh	41/30/c
Buenos Aires	90/73/s	88/73/s
Calgary	15/2/s	23/6/pc
Dublin	45/38/sh	45/34/sh
Geneva	40/33/sh	45/35/sh
Moscow	17/11/sf	25/12/c
Rome	58/43/pc	59/48/pc
Sydney	88/73/pc	91/70/t
Tokyo	48/34/sh	50/36/s

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.



HISTORY

Britney Gives Own Unique Take on Princess Di Death

BRITNEY SPEARS says she rarely takes her baby outside because she fears pushy paparazzi. "It's kind of sad because I can't walk down the street with a stroller," she told *People* magazine. "I'm not expecting people to pity me. I'm just telling the truth." She added: "Princess Diana got killed by one of these people. (AP)"

WEIRDNESS

Jacko's Ex Strikes Back

Michael Jackson's ex-wife, **DEBORAH ROWE**, won a round in her battle over their two children, with a California appeals court ruling that her parental rights were not properly relinquished under the law. While acknowledging Rowe initiated the proceeding to give up her parental rights in 2001, the appellate court said the judge in the matter did not handle it properly. (AP)



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SUNSET BOULEVARD

Madam Is Ready For Her Close-Up

MADONNA may have gyrated like a 20-year-old at the Grammy Awards this past week, but her body felt the brunt of it later. Madonna, 47, had hernia surgery at Los Angeles' Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, the *New York Post* reported Wednesday. At the Los Angeles Kabbalah Center on Feb. 10, she did not eat or lead the after-dinner prayer as she usually does when there. Husband Guy Ritchie was absent, the *Post* reported. "Whatever was commented on in the *New York Post* is what we're confirming," a Madonna spokesperson said Thursday. (AP)

RECOVERY

Wild, Hot Starlets Find Schlubby Soulmate

PHILIP SEYMOUR HOFFMAN, a favorite to take home the best actor Oscar next month for "Capote," says he never would have reached such heights if he didn't get sober 16 years ago. Hoffman, 38, speaks in an interview on "60 Minutes" to air Sunday about nearly succumbing to substance abuse.



He was once in a thousand little pieces.

After graduating from New York University, he fell into a fast-paced city social life. "It was all that [drugs and alcohol], yeah," Hoffman says. "I have so much empathy for these young actors that are 19 and all of a sudden they're beautiful and famous and rich," he says. (AP)

THE LAW

Here, We Can Say Anything We Want About Celebrities

ELTON JOHN accepted an undisclosed financial settlement Thursday of a libel lawsuit against the *Sunday Times*, a London newspaper. His lawyer said in court that the paper had repeated a false rumor that John told guests at a fundraising ball not to address him unless spoken to. The singer wasn't in court for the announcement of the settlement. (AP)



In Britain, celebrities are rewarded for having horrid things said about them.

GROSS

What About the Blowflies?

PAMELA ANDERSON is urging Australia's prime minister to ban a sheep farming practice at the center of a global campaign to boycott Australian wool. She opposes a process known as mulesing, which involves slicing flesh and wool away from the sheep's rump to prevent blowflies from laying their eggs in the skin. (AP)



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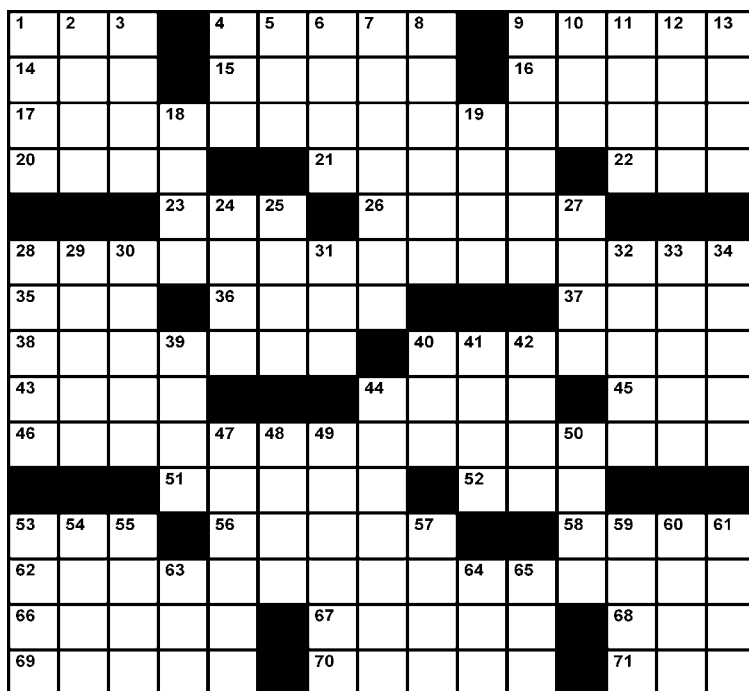
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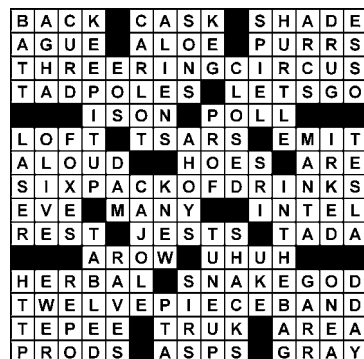
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Cameron
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39 Mexican peninsula
40 Year, in
39-Down
41 Frodo's burden
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44 "The Last Judgment" chapel
47 High regard
48 XXXXX, to the Greeks
49 More tied up in knots
50 Neglect to mention

53 Animated Disney villain
54 Customary function
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57 Some children
59 Cambodia neighbor
60 Prefix for China
61 Circular current
63 Ripken, the Baltimore legend
64 Enthusiast
65 Some Spanish replies

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1801 The House of Representatives broke an electoral tie between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr, electing Jefferson president; Burr became vice president.

1865 Columbia, S.C., burned as the Confederates evacuated and Union forces moved in. (It's not known which side set the blaze.)

1897 The forerunner of the National PTA, the National Congress of Mothers, was founded in Washington.

1933 Newsweek was first published.

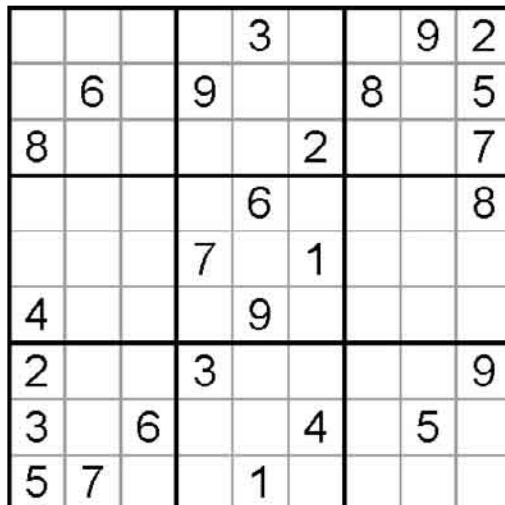
1992 Serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer was sentenced in Milwaukee to life in prison (he was beaten to death in prison in November 1994).

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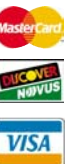


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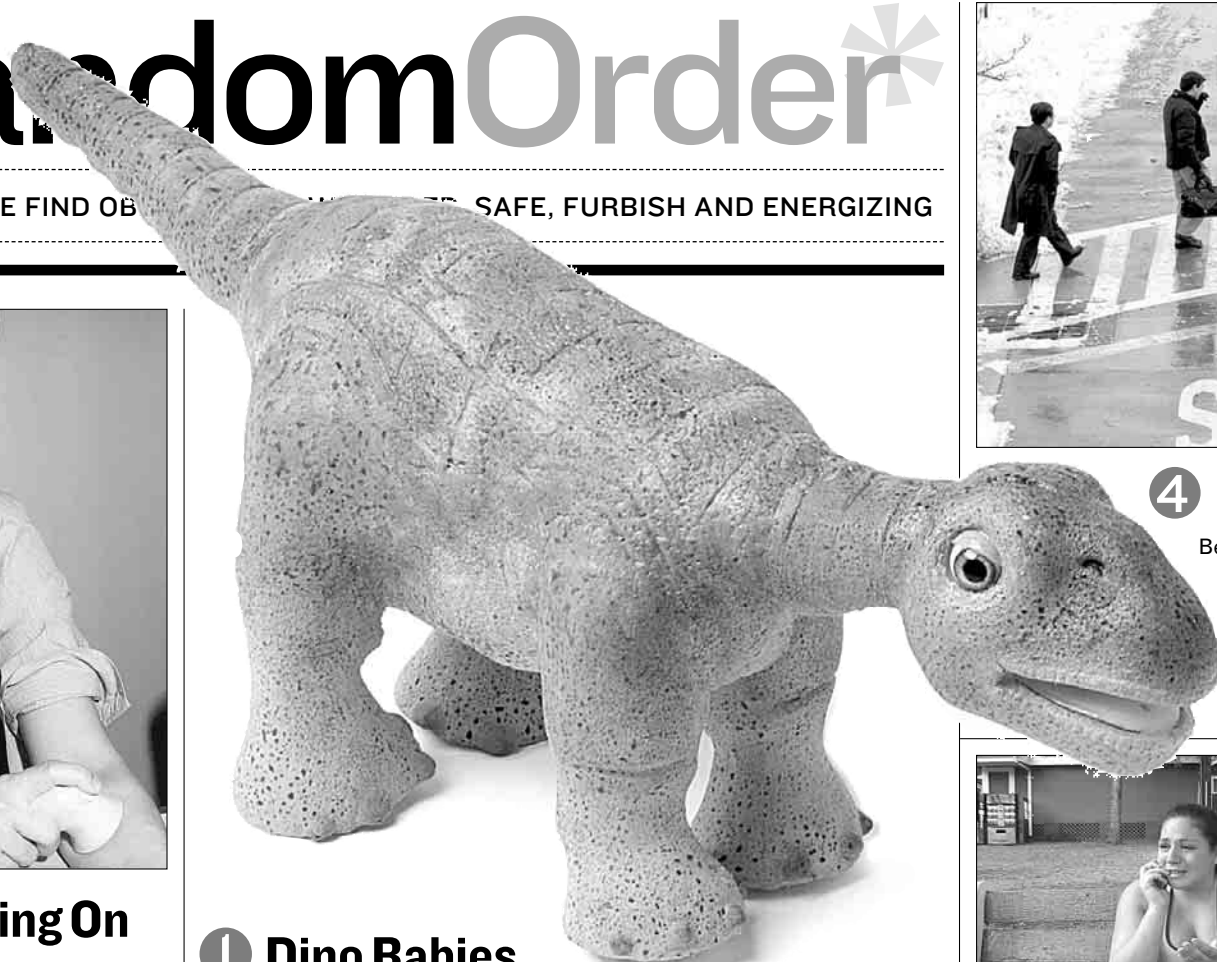


② Spraying On

While not exactly discreet, spray-on birth control definitely has novelty value going for it. The Australian company Acrux announced Monday that it's working on a daily contraceptive spray, which would replace pills or transdermal patches in a woman's regimen. We can imagine the soft-focus television commercials now.

① Dino Babies

In reality, a baby Camarasaurus probably wasn't nearly as cuddly as Pleo. (If you are a paleontologist and disagree, please do not write a letter.) Created by one of the inventors of the Furby, Pleo is a robot dinosaur modeled on a week-old Camarasaurus. It walks, learns, coughs, blinks, chomps, twitches and sighs; since it doesn't poop or cry, it's already looking like an improvement on the human baby. You can make Pleo happy or make it sad, and we hope Pleo will not chomp on you if you do the latter. The little critter is expected to skitter into homes by Christmas 2006.



④ Pedestrians

Bethesda pedestrian advocate and cable-access host John Wetmore is hitting the big time (sort of). His show "Perils for Pedestrians" has been picked up by the DISH Network (channel 9411). Fear not, Montgomery County fans — he's still on eight local cable access channels. Just remember to look both ways ...



③ 'Fat Camp'

This show, which premiered Wednesday on MTV, is "Laguna Beach" except everyone happens to be overweight. And the incessantly whining chick? Needs to shut up.



⑤ Rebirth

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Homefront Hope

A writer and war wife tells spouses' stories

Nothing is more terrifying for military families than the thought of uniformed officers knocking on their doors to confirm their worst nightmares. Washington-based journalist Kristin Henderson has been forced to confront these emotions whenever her husband, Frank, has been deployed as a military chaplain in the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan and Iraq. In "While They're at War," she profiles women and men burdened with their spouses' absences. Express' Vicky Hallett caught up with her as she started her book tour, which includes area military bases and Politics and Prose (Sat., 6 p.m., free).

How much had you thought about military families before becoming a military spouse?

I'm a Quaker. So I thought about them a little, but not a lot. My principles weren't challenged. After my husband joined the Navy, I was conflicted. Was it OK to let the Pentagon pay for my health care?

So where are you now?

What I came to realize is that I believe in an ideal world where war can be prevented. But this isn't an ideal world.

How did you get women to open up?

I was amazed at how easy it was. People will confess to a chaplain, and I'm a chaplain's wife, so I guess it rubbed off on me. For them it was a chance for their stories to be heard.

How can the media improve war coverage?

I don't think there is another way. You have to cover the events. But there should be more coverage of homefront issues. Civilians are the ones putting politicians in power who send the military to war. They



Kristin Henderson's book examines the lives of spouses on the homefront.

don't understand what families are going through.

In your book, you mention a run-in with a hawkish electrician.

Yes, my husband had done some wiring and the electrician wanted to talk to him about it, but I kept trying to avoid saying where he was. When I told him Iraq, he said, "That's so cool!" He said he rushed home every night to see the fire fights on TV. To him it was a video game, to me it was life or



Henderson and her husband on the day of his return from deployment.

death. He was a very nice man, but I wanted him out of my house.

You've been through so many deployments. How do you deal?

I think about how I get to set my own agenda. It's like being single without the stress of dating, and

“People will confess to a chaplain, and I'm a chaplain's wife, so I guess it rubbed off on me. It was a chance for their stories to be told.”

I appreciate him so much more when he comes home. Of course, when he's deployed he gets to set his own agenda, too. But that's not much fun. It's like you get to stay home from work when you're sick, but you're sick.

Most of your interviews were in Fort Bragg, N.C., but you spent some time here in town at Walter Reed, too, yes?

I profiled one couple there in which the husband had lost a leg, and for them it was this foreign place, but for me it was home. To cheer her husband up — well, probably to cheer herself up, because he was a cheery guy — she went to the Target on US1 and bought all of these silly T-shirts saying things like, "I Do All My Own Stunts."

How has writing this book changed your perspective?

It's not so much writing this book as it was my husband going into the Navy. It changed my life and opened my eyes to this isolated institution. It's so far removed from the liberal, educated circles I moved in, and that's not a good thing for democracy.

> The Manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOELOGGER

I'm a scientist, and my work in the lab requires much standing. When I was a grad student I wore sneakers, but now I'd like to look more elegant. —IVA

Manolo says, oddly, the Manolo he personally knows many of the brianiac scientists, and he would have to say that sartorially they are the sorry lot, perhaps second only to the mechanical engineers and the German fashion designers in terms of fashion faux pas per minute. Thank goodness for the lab coat! And so, given the usual standards of dress which the scientists adopt, the Manolo he cannot but be cheered that his friend would seek out professional counsel in the matter of footwear. It is with such minor victories that the battle against ugliness is won. Of the course, this quest of the Manolo's scientific friend, to find the comfortable but also super fantastic and affordable shoes, it is the search for the Holy Grail. We who are but the humble servants of the shoe, we spend of our lives looking for this elusive and majestic relic, and she who has



located it truly has found the "pearl of great price." The Manolo he does not say that these shoes from the Stuart Weitzman called the Buckminster (like the Buckminster Fuller!) are as unto the treasures of heaven (\$203, zappos.com), but they have the reputation for comfort, and they are in the opinion of the Manolo stylish enough so as to shame the scientific colleagues into wearing something better.

On the Cover

Alishia Frey, left, sports Misile's silk kimono top (\$160) and Steel Couture's leaf earrings (\$48, both at unsungdesigners.com). Grace Wang wears Iodice's tunic dress/top (see page 6). Hair by Vera Chamberlain of Demian (2427 18th St. NW; 202-234-8050). Photo by Michelle Repiso.



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Tracie Thoms' Joanne can pine after a same-sex love as well as any cowboy.

Local Girl Makes Out

Tracie Thoms on doing the Tango Maureen

WITH ALL THE HUBBUB ABOUT HEATH LEDGER'S INABILITY to give up Jake Gyllenhaal, Philip Seymour Hoffman's perfect nailing of Truman Capote and Felicity Huffman's turn as a pre-op transexual, it's easy to forget that Baltimore native and Howard University grad Tracie Thoms got her smooch on with fellow hetero actress Idina Menzel (as Maureen) on the big screen in "Rent" (available on DVD Tuesday, \$29). "Only one of my friends asked me if it would be weird," said Thoms, one of the film's two stars who had not been in the original Broadway cast. But in her quest for the role of uptight Joanne, which began at an audition in 1997 and continued through nine subsequent auditions until she made the cut for the movie, she never thought much about it. The most common response from male buddies? Requests to get to watch.

For Thoms, it was no big deal: "We both like boys. Fine. But let's figure this out." Plus, she had the added assistance of Menzel's husband — their co-star Taye Diggs — who offered advice on where his Tony-winning honey liked to be grabbed. "Let's face it, it's easier to make out with a chick if it's Idina Menzel," she said. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)



Morgan Freeman: The very early years.

DVD The Best of the Electric Company (\$50)

Morgan Freeman is so cool as Easy Reader, the dude with a word jones! You'd never guess he was drinking a lot and sad about being stuck on a PBS kiddie show. So that was Joan Rivers and Gene Wilder on the cartoon "Letterman." Who knew? Forget about Lisa Kudrow. Judy Graubart (aka Jennifer of the Jungle) was TV's Best. Ditz. Ever! The four discs in this DVD homage to the punny phonics series, which was in production from 1971 to 1977, reveal that early episodes were, in phact, kind of phlat. But the Company soon expertly blended zaniness and braininess.

NOTABLE EXTRAS: A few cast members (but not Morgan) and creators reminisce.

IF YOU LIKE: "Laugh-In," groovy '70s clothes and 'dos. MARC SILVER

DVD Private Lessons 25th Anniversary Edition (\$15)



Twenty-nine years on this earth, including a graduate degree in film, could not prepare us for the utterly craptastic "Private Lessons."

Phillip Fillmore is a privileged 15-year-old who thinks about sex a lot. Enter housekeeper Nicole Mallow (Sylvia Kristel of the soft-core series "Emmanuelle"), who, with the chauffeur (Howard Hesseman), aims to seduce Phillip as part of a bizarre extortion plot. We go from stupid to creepy when Phillip and Nicole fall in "love"; we go from creepy to oogy when the incredibly inappropriate couple rather explicitly gets between the sheets. On the other hand, the film proves that it's possible to make a sex comedy that's neither sexy nor funny.

NOTABLE EXTRAS: "Sherman's Guide to Love," which we didn't actually watch, because 87 minutes was enough. Sherman is Phillip's kooky best friend.

IF YOU LIKE: Desecrations of the art of filmmaking, "The Graduate" with quasi-kiddie porn. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

MUSIC The Life Pursuit BY BELLE AND SEBASTIAN (MATADOR, \$16)

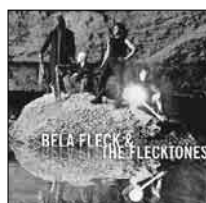


Scottish pop septet Belle and Sebastian dashes its long-standing twee image with its most punchy, eclectic and commercial outing to date. Stuart Murdoch's detail-rich lyrics still take coy and clever turns ("You're the funny little frog in my thro-at"). But his vocals prove more confident, with a Kinks-ian bounce to his whimsy, and several tunes swing with pithy bass, frolicking keyboards and bona fide guitar solos. Soul-funk infuses the '70s glam-draped "The Blues Are Still Blue," the dreamy "Song for Sunshine" and jitter-strummed "We Are the Sleepyheads." There's just enough of Murdoch's poetic sensibility to balance the ride.

IF YOU LIKE: Literate pop, The Smiths.

IF YOU DON'T LIKE: Style without substance, thug-rock. PAUL ROBICHEAU

MUSIC Hidden Land BY BELA FLECK AND THE FLECKTONES (COLUMBIA, \$19)



After conquering the guest-friendly jam-band world, banjo pioneer Bela Fleck's quartet retreats to the bluegrass-tinged jazz of its early releases with a freshly unified vision. More challenging than usual, yet still surprisingly airy and accessible, the playing ranges from a Bach fugue to an old-fashioned clarinet stroll and many notes in between. Showpiece "P'lod in the House" and the floating, dissonant collage "Misunderstood" drop echoes of Ornette Coleman's Prime Time. Synthetic percussionist Future Man signals a slight shift toward acoustic stylings with his opening brushwork on a drum kit, and keeps wordless vocals to a bare minimum. In turn, Fleck, bassist Victor Wooten and saxophonist Jeff Coffin engaged in relaxed musicianship that makes their nimble explorations sound effortless.

IF YOU LIKE: Playful counterpoint, Return to Forever.

IF YOU DON'T LIKE: Overly athletic chops, basic banjo. P.R.



Look at his cute little knee socks! Aww!

MUSIC EA Sports Rugby '06

FOR PS2 AND XBOX (ELECTRONIC ARTS, \$30) Though still not up to the level of the popular Madden football and FIFA soccer franchises, the production values of Rugby '06 do elevate the sport from its previous ugly stepchild status in EA Sports household. Beyond the expected graphic improvements, the changes in the gameplay controls — such as the ability to pass the ball to a teammate when you're being tackled and the quick line out/quick penalty options — more closely mimic the non-stop pace of the real sport. And new "high tackle" option even adds that extra hurt.

IF YOU LIKE: New Zealand, sportscasters with accents, "impact players."

IF YOU DON'T LIKE: Helmets and shoulderpads. KENNETH TERRELL

VIDEO GAMES Street Fighter Alpha 3 Max

FOR PLAYSTATION PORTABLE (CAPCOM, \$40)

Face it: Even shrunk down to less than a centimeter, Chun Li — she of the Princess Leia hairbuns and the bulging quad muscles — can still kick your butt. In addition to all of the



button-mashing thrills of the original arcade version, this PSP installment adds four new fighters, a tag-team gameplay mode and a Wi-Fi "League Battle Mode" that lets you play tournaments with other PSP gamers. It is a bit tricky to master the essential combination moves on the handheld device, though.

IF YOU LIKE: Two-dimensions, anime.

IF YOU DON'T LIKE: The public humiliation of getting beat in the arcade. K.T.



← **THERE'S SOMETHING** very "Easy Rider"-meets-Reverend-Horton-Heat about Capitol Hill designer **JOHN WYE's** "Fighting Cock" belt. It'd look swell worn low-slung, outside the belt loops of jeans. (\$45, UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM)



Mix Master

Call them fashion alchemists, those genetically chic girls who combine fingerless gloves, rubber necklaces and dresses by obscure Brooklyn designers into "Where'd you get that?" outfits. In hopes of learning their secrets, we went shopping with pro clotheshorses Alishia Frey and Grace Wang, creators of Adams Morgan-based fashion Web site unsungdesigners.com. They trawled D.C. boutiques — and their own site — for happenin', so-not-from-the-mall spring looks. JENNIFER BARGER



← **ALISHIA WAS DRAWN** to the "vintage-y, not too holiday-looking red" of this silk **AKA** dress (\$285, **PINK NOVEMBER**, 1529 WISCONSIN AVE. NW; 202-333-1121). She added shoes by **BETTYE MULLER** (\$375, **SHOE HIVE**, 115 S. ROYAL ST., ALEXANDRIA; 703-548-7105) and a heart necklace from **BYJEANNIE JEWELRY** (\$45, UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM)

↑ **DESIGNER MELISSA AMBROSE** paints dream images and poetic quotes on canvas, then stitches them into **AMBROSIA BAGS**. Available as handbags (\$210) and wristlets (\$76), they're like portable works of art. (UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM)

IT'S A DRESS! IT'S A TUNIC!
Leave it to mod Brazilian design house **IODICE** to make a garment fit to wear now over jeans or later with sandals and a tan. (\$298, **ALEX BOUTIQUE**, EYE ST. NW BETWEEN 19TH AND 20TH STREETS; 202-296-2610)



↑ FLOWERS AND butterflies look both spring-y and city-chic on **MIGNONETTE**'s cotton skirts. D.C. native Kpoene Kofi-Bruce's flirty numbers would look pretty paired with a tank and ballet flats on (sigh) a warm day. (\$120 EACH, **UNSGDESIGNERS.COM**)



← WHO REMEMBERS stilettos? Not our stylistas, who liked these platform statements in woven leather (\$77, **SEYCHELLES**) and gray suede (\$280, **TARA SUBKOFF FOR EASY SPIRIT, SHOE HIVE**). The latter was designed by the co-founder of outsider fashion line Imitation of Christ.

← GRACE DRESSES UP **HABITUAL**'s "Skinny Glory" jeans (\$198, **DENIM BAR**, 1101 S. JOYCE ST., ARLINGTON; 703-414-8202) with **ANGELROX**'s rayon jersey halter top (\$90, **UNSGDESIGNERS.COM**), a **MEGHAN** butterfly belt (\$75, **PINK NOVEMBER**) and **HYPE**'s metallic sandals (\$163, **SHOE HIVE**). "Shoes in this color are one of my fetishes," said Wang. "They go with everything."

TO-DO LIST



Clothes Calling

Need help putting together urban outfits? Try a hyper-hip Internet boutique, a how-to-dress-better book or even a custom boutique tour.

UNsung LIVE: On the first Saturday of the month from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m., **unsungdesigners.com** opens its HQ for non-virtual shopping. Browse goods like Julie Christenberry's funky cotton-print clutches and Steel Couture's rubber and metal bracelets. (Alley at 2412 18th St., rear door A; 202-234-1788)

SURFFORSTYLE: Web sites with outta-the-mainstream women's wear include **www.starsandinfinitydarkness.com** for tote bags stenciled with jackalopes and Wai Ching's East-meets-West crochet gaucho pants. **Ravinstyle.com** hawks Kara "Project Runway" Janx's wrap dresses, Smashing Grandpa's chandelier stencil tees and loads of feminine jewelry.

BOUTIQUE TOURS: FashionSacagawea Elizabeth Gibbens leads customized shopping treks for individuals or small groups through retail-rich 'hoods like Georgetown or Old Town. (\$95 per hour, **bayoumuse.net**; 202-966-6130)

READ ALL ABOUT IT: In "The Pocket Stylist" (\$20, Gotham Books), celeb-dressing pro Kendall Farr doles out tips on how to flatter your shape (no double-breasted blazers, Miss Curvy!) and why a good tailor should be your best bud.

SPECIAL DELIVERY: Downtown boutique babe Betsy Fisher's in-store events give shoppers an inside track on hard-to-find clothes and accessories. Show up Feb. 23 and 24 to eyeball party frocks and drapery suits by Donna Degnan, or March 9 and 10 to browse for shapely leather bags by Tano. (1224 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1975)



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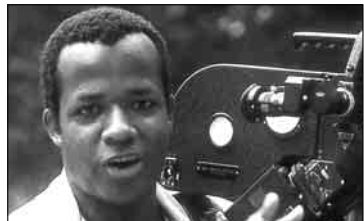
IN SEARCH OF THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO DO, BUT DON'T KNOW ABOUT YET

... Date

Bo Bice. Nothing says love like a dude who takes his dame to see an "American Idol" runner-up. Especially one who's not Clay! Bo will perform rock-ish songs from his recent album, "The Real Thing." Eyes will roll, but that's the fun. Nation, 1050 Half St. SE; Sun., 7:30 p.m., \$14; 800-551-7328. (Navy Yard)

The Heiress. A plain heiress is courted by a poor-but-rakish gentleman in this play based on the Henry James novel "Washington Square." Period dress is sexy, yes? Olney Theatre, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney; through March 12, \$34-\$44; 301-924-3400; olneytheatre.org.

Katsucon 12. Do you know what "cosplay" is? Does your SO? If you think s/he'd deal well with chicks dressed as sexy anime characters, let him/her find out! While you're there, learn about Japanese comics, animation, video games and more. Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert St. NW; Fri.-Sun., \$20-\$50; katsucon.com. (Woodley Park)



Greaves in "Symbiowhatchamacallit."

Symbiopsychotaxiplasm (Take One).

Imagine the small talk generated by the title alone! William Greave's film purports to be a documentary about making a movie, but this is a 1960s experimental flick, so guess what? It's not. AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Fri. through Feb. 23; 301-495-6700; afi.com/silver. (Silver Spring)

Visible Proofs. A good first date this is



not, except perhaps for young coroners in love, or others who appreciate a good look at a pickled kidney or a jar of maggots. But learning what forensics entails (beyond what's on "CSI") is a real conversation starter. National Library of Medicine, NIH, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; through Feb. 2008; 301-496-6308; nlm.nih.gov. (Medical Center)



Bond with men in costume at the George Washington Birthday Parade.

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Birthday, by George

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... Gaze



A silk kimono worn by Ichimaru.

Dada. If you find art to be plagued by bourgeois values, tradition and — urch — beauty, try Dada. The movement, founded during World War I, was for the utter annihilation of all things arty. National Gallery of Art, 7th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; starts Sat., free; 202-737-4215; nga.gov. (Archives-Navy Memorial)

Degas, Sickert and Toulouse-Lautrec. French and British artists challenged each other's creativity, sparking revolution in the art world of the late 1800s. Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St. NW; Sat. through May 14, \$12; 202-387-2151; phillipscollection.org. (Dupont Circle)

From Geisha to Diva. On display are 24 magnificent silk kimonos once worn by Ichimaru, a geisha turned popular singer. National Geographic Museum, 1145 17th St. NW; Thu. through April 23, free; 202-857-7588; nationalgeographic.com/museum. (Farragut North)

Hiroshi Sugimoto. Lose yourself in the Japanese photographer's minimalist black-and-white prints. Hirshhorn Museum, Independence Avenue and 7th Street SW; through May 14, free; 202-633-1000; hirshhorn.si.edu. (L'Enfant Plaza)

... Take the Kids

Discover Engineering Family Day.

Learn what makes everyday items tick, and sit in on a live Q&A with the International Space Station astronauts. Plus: Robots! National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW; Sat., 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., free; 202-272-2448; nbm.org. (Judiciary Square)

Mountain Music Festival. Discover Appalachian music, a strange brew of Celtic folk, African spirituals and the banjo. Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane; Mon., 11 a.m., free; 301-581-5100; strathmore.org. (Grosvenor)

Hansel and Gretel. The Washington National Opera retells a story that creeps into the nightmares of every child. Inter-American Development Bank, 1330 New York Ave. NW; Thu. and next Fri., 7 p.m., free; 202-295-2440; dc-opera.org. (Metro Center)

Networking a Nation and Airmail in America. Kids know how e-mail works, but what about the old-school kind? "Networking" explains the transit system that moves mail; "Airmail" looks at how mail affects aviation. National Postal Museum, 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; starts Tue. and Weds., free; 202-633-1000; postalmuseum.si.edu.



JiYoung Lee as the Sandman in WNO's rendition of "Hansel and Gretel."

... Listen

Kirov Opera. The world-famous singers perform Puccini, Wagner and Verdi. Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Sun. through Feb. 26, \$45-\$200; 202-467-4600; kennedy-center.org. (Foggy Bottom)

Reflections of Rosemary. Debby Boone croons Rosemary Clooney's songbook. Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna; Sat., 7:30 p.m., \$35; 877-965-3872; wolfftrap.org.



Washington Musica Viva. It's Czech music night, featuring Petr Eben and Antonin Dvorak. Embassy of the Czech Republic, 3900 Spring of Freedom St. NW; Tue., 7:30 p.m., \$20; 202-274-9105.

Winter Interlude. Stuart Isacoff tickles with the jazzy "Art of Piano Improvisation." Lyceum of Alexandria, 201 South Washington St., Alexandria; Fri., 7:30 p.m., \$25; 703-728-7766; wipac.org.



... Learn

Washington Boat Show. Is Muffy weary of the yacht? Scope out new ones, then watch an illusionist make an 18-foot Bayliner disappear. Washington Convention Center, 801 Mt. Vernon Place NW; Wed. through Feb. 26, \$10, kids \$5; washingtonboatshow.com. (Mt. Vernon Square)

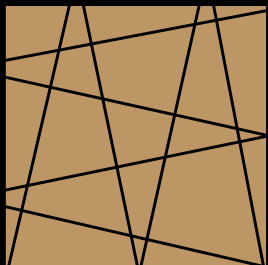
Curling. Discover the secrets of the Winter Olympics' sexiest sport. Besides snowboarding, ice skating and skiing. National Capital Curling Club, 13810 Old Gunpowder Road, Laurel; Thu., 7 p.m. (also Feb. 25, 1 p.m. or Feb. 26, 9 a.m.), \$5; 301-806-8585; curldc.org.

Introduction to Bonsai. The curator of the National Bonsai and Penjing Museum will explain the care and feeding of these miniature trees. Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallan Ave., Wheaton; Mon., 8 p.m., free; 301-649-4645.

Woman's Heart Day Health Fair. Heart disease is the leading killer of American women. Get screened and learn how to decrease your risks. MCI Center, 601 F St. NW; Fri., Feb. 17, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., free; 301-718-8033; womansheartday.org. (Gallery Place-Chinatown)



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Dexter Rountree, Tonyau Ward

Tonyau, 31, is an attorney. Dexter, 34, is a network security engineer. They live in Clinton.

WEDDING: They're both from Georgia, so they'll marry there on March 25 with about 200 guests.

HONEYMOON: The Sandals resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

HOW THEY MET: Relatives hooked them up, even though Tonyau lived in Georgia and Dexter in Maryland.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "I thought he was nice and quite funny," said

Tonyau. "I thought she was quite beautiful (inside and out)," said Dexter.

FIRST DATE: The Riverwalk in Augusta, Ga.

HOW HE PROPOSED: Tonyau arrived home after a long day and found a trail of rose petals. They led her to a ring. When she looked back, she discovered the petals spelled out "Will you marry me?"

MOST HATED CLOTHING ITEM: Tonyau's leopard cotton pajama pants.

THEIR SONG: "Everything I Do" by Brian McKnight.

WHO'S GOING TO CRY FIRST? Tonyau. "Definitely me! Hands down! I'm a bucket of tears!"

CAKE: Three tiers, with butter-cream frosting.

“And at the very end of the petal trail was an engagement ring shining bright!”



Now Who's Laughing?

Good-natured teasing is part of any relationship. And when you propose on April 1, it's hard to resist, as **DAVID EDLAVITCH** discovered.

ANNE BANNER was feeding their dog, Sylvester, and rushing to catch an 8 a.m. train when she found a ring box on top of the dog-food scoop. "I took a step back and realized this was going to be 'The Moment' that every girl dreams of," she said. Inside? Not a ring, but a note reading "APRIL FOOLS!" Anne was heading to the bedroom to inform David just how not-funny she found his "joke," when he came around the corner and asked what was up. She proceeded to tell him that the gag was the meanest thing anyone had ever done — not noticing the engagement ring hanging from the drawstring of his pajama pants. He let her vent, though. When she was finished, he got down on his knee and proposed, leaving her just enough time to catch that early train.

Anne, 28, is the Manager of External Affairs for the Cancer and Research Prevention Foundation. David, 34, is a settlement officer for Evergreen Title and Escrow. They live in Glover Park and will marry on May 6 in Washington. They'll honeymoon in Hawaii.



Marianne Stanley, Eric Toussaint

Marianne, 24, is a public affairs officer in the State Department's Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs. Eric, 35, owns JET T Training, a personal training company. They live in Silver Spring.

WEDDING: A black tie-optional affair for about 100 guests at a downtown Washington hotel on April 29.

HONEYMOON: Belize.

HOW THEY MET: They both worked at The Cheesecake Factory.

FIRST DATE: Chadwicks for drinks.

HOW HE PROPOSED: On the fifth anniversary of their first date, Eric took Marianne to Brookside Gardens in Wheaton for a picnic. Dessert was the ring ... and then

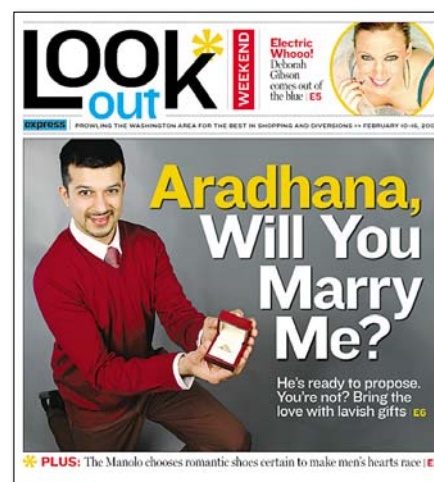
“It was amazing and so surreal. The whole night was like a dream.”

You Can Stop Holding Your Breath



She said yes. **ARADHANA KAUSHAL** arrived at work last Friday, opened her copy of Express and found boyfriend **RAHUL CHHABLANI** down on one knee on the cover of Lookout Weekend. While Aradhana and Rahul had talked about engagement, she thought of it as something that would happen sometime in the coming months: "I certainly wasn't expecting it now." When she saw the page, she started frantically calling Rahul, who was actually waiting for her in a different part of her office — and he'd turned off his phone to make the surprise last a little longer. "I must have called him 500

times," she said. She then called her sister, who pleaded ignorance of the whole plot and said Rahul was probably busy at work and therefore not answering his phone. Finally, Aradhana's supervisor took her to where Rahul was waiting on bended knee, with roses, the ring and another copy of the paper, just in case she'd missed it. The happy couple are considering getting married on either Memorial Day weekend or Fourth of July weekend in 2007.



the fun began. A limo arrived to transport them to three spots of significance to their relationship (they toasted at each stop) ... then to La Ferme for dinner ... then to Chadwicks for a surprise engagement party ... then to a Marriott for the weekend.

THEIR SONG: "Warm Love" by Van Morrison. Eric played it on the jukebox during their first date.

MMM, CAKE: They're having two: The traditional wedding cake will be red velvet, since Marianne's from the South (and it's her favorite). The second will be a croquembouche, a traditional French wedding cake, since Eric is half-French.

Getting Married?

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